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A PLAYOFF DAILY DOUBLE

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Tyler Bertuzzi celebrated after scoring in the Bruins' scrappy 6-2 victory in Florida over the Panthers Sunday. The Celtics also won, putting both Boston teams up three games to one in their playoff series. **C1.**

Cities, towns wrestle with flaps over flags

High court ruling raises concerns over what will fly

By Matt Stout
GLOBE STAFF

In Wakefield, a recent Town Council meeting took a 45-minute detour over whether the board should be in "the business." Leaders in Williamstown believe they should steer clear completely. The debate was so thorny in Fitchburg, it prompted a rare mayoral veto.

The sticking point each time? Flags. Or more precisely, which ones.

A year after the US Supreme Court ruled it was unconstitutional for the City of Boston to deny a Christian group's flag-raising request, selectboards and city councils across Massachusetts are navigating the legal and political thicket left by the decision.

Local elected officials are discussing not just what should fly on municipal flagpoles but how to even go about reaching such a decision. The Supreme Court decision has sparked questions over "power" and responsibility, and whether a small group of elected officials could, or should, speak for their community's values at large.

That's a weighty debate for a half-pound of nylon.

"You're right, who thinks about flags?" said Julie Smith-Galvin, a member of Wakefield's Town Council, which approved a flag policy last year but as recently as late March found itself again debating the new protocol before voting to fly the Progress Pride Flag and Juneteenth Flag outside a local civic center in June.

"But politicians have to be brave and stand up and take votes on these really hard community issues that these flags have come to symbolize," Smith-Galvin said. "No deci-

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No room at State House for tenant relief

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"I've lived here 30 years; this is my home. And lord knows there's nowhere else in Boston I could afford. This is my only choice," Betty Lewis said of her refusal to pay a rent hike.

Lobbyists criticize and lawmakers ignore local plans curtailing evictions

By Andrew Brinker
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Four years ago, a letter changed Betty Lewis's life.

It informed her that the new owner of the apartment complex in Mattapan where Lewis had lived for more than three decades was raising her rent by $450 a month.

And there wasn't much she could do about it. Fibromyalgia has kept Lewis from working for nearly two decades, so she scrapes by on a small pension and Social Security payments.

Feeling trapped, she refused to pay the increase. Somehow, she hasn't been evicted, but knows she's teetering on the edge. Her landlord sends her a letter each month detailing how much back rent she owes. The amount has eclipsed $10,000.

"What else am I supposed to do?" said Lewis, 71, who has become a regular presence at rent control rallies in the city. "I've lived here 30 years; this is my home. And lord knows there's nowhere else in Boston I could afford. This is my only choice."

The owner of Lewis's building, DSF Group, did not return a request for comment.

It's a story that resonates in every corner of Boston. Resi-

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After days of fruitless diplomatic efforts, foreign governments took another tack this weekend: fleeing the country.

US pulls diplomats in harrowing rescue

CLIFFORD FAMILY

Trillian Clifford, a teacher from Ashland, is in Sudan sheltering with her daughter, Alma.

Other nations, UN scramble to save citizens from Sudan

By Declan Walsh, Charlie Savage, and Eric Schmitt
NEW YORK TIMES

NAIROBI, Kenya — It began with a helicopter evacuation of American diplomats from Sudan's besieged capital city just after midnight Sunday, then turned into a full-fledged exodus of foreign officials and citizens of other nations as the battle raged around them.

At the US Embassy in Khartoum, a team of Navy SEALs ushered up to 90 people onto aircraft before taking off for Djibouti, 800 miles away.

Hours later, a United Nations convoy began snaking its way out of the city, starting a 525-mile drive to Port Sudan on the Red Sea, while British and French diplomats were escorted to an airfield outside the city, where military cargo planes were waiting. Other groups headed for Qadarif, a small town near Ethiopia, and a boat chartered by Saudi Arabia carried its fleeing diplomats across the Red Sea.

After days of fruitless diplomatic efforts to get two warring Sudanese generals to lay down their weapons, for-

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Fighting centered in Khartoum

GLOBE STAFF

To critics, it's the low point of boorish boasting

Online comedians take aim at ubiquitous 'This car climbed Mt. Washington' decals

By Spencer Buell
GLOBE STAFF

From Nissans in Nashua to 4Runners in Fall River and Priuses in Peabody, countless vehicles have traveled to the top of New England's tallest mountain.

We know this because drivers have told us by displaying what's arguably the region's most notable decal on the backs of their vehicles: the large red-white-and-blue bumper stickers that proudly declare "This car climbed Mt. Washington."

Just about everyone who has driven up Mount Washington over the last half century has been given one for free with the price of admission to the mountain's Auto Road, where about 40,000 of them are handed out annually.

To those who slap them on the backs of their cars after completing the 7.6-mile journey to the 6,288-foot summit, they're a badge of honor and a keepsake from a local natural wonder.

But to others, they're seen as goofy, irritating, and even eye-roll-inducing — basically, they're peak cringe.

That's according to the ar-

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The bumper sticker — and some variants — has found its way to countless carriers across the years in New England.

Teacher, toddler trapped in crossfire

By Daniel Kool and Nick Stoico
GLOBE CORRESPONDENTS

A Massachusetts woman and her toddler remained stranded in an apartment in Sudan, as gunfire echoed through the streets around them and critical supplies — including food and water — dwindled. They are among possibly thousands of US citizens trapped in the country, which has once again been thrust into armed conflict.

Trillian Clifford, of Ashland, and her daughter, Alma, have been hiding for more than a week — staying low and away from windows — in the capital city of Khartoum, where she is a teacher at an international school, according to her family.

Communication from Clifford was intermittent Sunday, as Internet outages were reported across the country and cell service is "only working about 2 percent of the time," said Rebecca Winter, Clifford's sister-in-law.

Winter said calling or tex-

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The institution, Massachusetts Central University, is fictional, and state officials are trying to shut down its all-too-real website of bogus claims. **B1.**

Bed Bath & Beyond revealed in a bankrutpcy filing that it seeks to close all its stores by June 30. **D1.**

Republican-controlled legislatures are working to keep abortion-rights measures off their states' ballots. **A2.**

Retailers are preparing to put up a fight over the Lottery as Massachusetts gets set to usher in online access. **D1.**

Rinse and repeat

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The Nation

GOP aiming to block ballot questions

Abortion losses lead party to fight voting measures

By Kate Zernike and Michael Wines
NEW YORK TIMES

Voters pushed back decisively after the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade last year, approving ballot measures that established or upheld abortion rights in all six states where they appeared.

Now, with abortion rights groups pushing for similar citizen-led ballot initiatives in at least six other states, Republican-controlled legislatures and anti-abortion groups are trying to stay one step ahead by making it harder to pass the measures — or to get them on the ballot at all.

The biggest and most immediate fight is in Ohio, where a coalition of abortion rights groups is collecting signatures to place a constitutional amendment on the ballot in November that would prohibit the state from banning abortion before a fetus becomes viable outside the womb, at about 24 weeks of pregnancy. That would essentially establish on the state level what Roe did nationwide for five decades.

Organizers were confident that the measure would reach the simple majority needed for passage, given polls showing that most Ohioans — like most Americans — support legalized abortion and disapprove of overturning Roe.

But Republicans in the state Legislature are advancing a ballot amendment of their own that would raise the percentage of votes required to pass future such measures to a 60 percent supermajority. The measure has passed the Ohio Senate and is expected to pass the House this week.

The Republican measure — which would require support from only 50 percent of voters to pass — would go before voters in a special election this August.

"There are a lot of elected officials leading state legislatures that are being unapologetic, brazen, relentless — choose your adjective — about the fact that they don't care what voters think on this issue and that their ideological stance on this is going to dictate the outcome," said Kelly Hall, executive director of the Fairness Project, which supports citizen-sponsored ballot initiatives across the country as a check on gerrymandered state legislatures.

BARBARA J. PERENIC/COLUMBUS DISPATCH/ASSOCIATED PRESS

Protesters rallied at the Ohio State House in Columbus, Ohio last June in support of abortion rights.

Republicans in Ohio have said openly that their efforts to make ballot amendments harder to pass are aimed at blocking abortion rights. They are putting their measure on the ballot in August, typically a time of low turnout. It will not include the word "abortion," which abortion rights supporters say will make it hard to engage their voters.

Republican-led legislatures in five other states are leading similar efforts to block citizen-led measures. The North Dakota Legislature this month approved a bill boosting the signature requirement for proposed constitutional amendments and requiring them to win approval in both primary and general elections.

And in Arkansas, after voters last fall soundly rejected a constitutional amendment proposed by the Legislature stiffening the requirements to get a measure on the ballot, the Legislature simply passed new requirements as state law. Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders signed the law last month.

Opponents and supporters of abortion alike agree that the Supreme Court's decision overturning Roe has supercharged the push for citizen ballot measures and Republican efforts to deter them.

Republicans were surprised by how forcefully voters turned out to reject anti-abortion laws last year, even in red states.

In Kansas, the Republican-controlled Legislature put forward a ballot initiative that would have reversed a 2019 state Supreme Court ruling finding a right to abortion in the state Constitution. It was placed on the ballot in the August primary, when turnout is typically low, but abortion rights groups mobilized to defeat it.

In November, voters defeated a similar measure in Kentucky, along with an anti-abortion law in Montana. At the same time, they approved measures to recognize a constitutional right to abortion in Vermont, California, and Michigan.

In Missouri, the Republican-led Legislature is on the verge of putting a constitutional amendment on the November ballot raising the approval threshold for proposed constitutional amendments to 66.7 percent, from 50 percent.

Biden offering access to migrants

Newcomers will need sponsors

By Miriam Jordan
NEW YORK TIMES

Amid a protracted stalemate in Congress over immigration, President Biden has opened a back door to allow hundreds of thousands of new immigrants into the country, significantly expanding the use of humanitarian parole programs for people escaping war and political turmoil around the world.

The measures, introduced over the past year to offer refuge to people fleeing Ukraine, Haiti, and Latin America, give immigrants the opportunity to fly to the United States and quickly secure work authorization, provided they have a private sponsor to take responsibility for them.

As of mid-April, some 300,000 Ukrainians had arrived in the United States under various programs, a number greater than all the people from around the world admitted through the official US refugee program in the last five years.

By the end of 2023, about 360,000 Venezuelans, Cubans, Nicaraguans, and Haitians are expected to gain admission through a similar private sponsorship initiative introduced in January to stem unauthorized crossings at the southern border, more people than were issued immigrant visas from these countries in the last 15 years combined.

The Biden administration has also greatly expanded the number of people who are in the United States with what is known as temporary protected status, a program that former president Donald Trump had sought to terminate. About 670,000 people from 16 countries have had their protections extended or become newly eligible since Biden took office, according to a new report from the Pew Research Center.

All told, these temporary humanitarian programs could become the largest expansion of legal immigration in decades.

"The longer Congress goes without legislating anything on immigration, the more the executive branch will do what it can within its own power based on the president's principles," said Theresa Cardinal Brown, senior adviser at the Bipartisan Policy Center in Washington.

The main challenge, she noted, is that "the courts can come in and say it's outside the president's authority, or an abuse of discretion, and take it all away."

Already, critics have complained that the administration is using unfettered discretionary power that runs afoul of the laws Congress passed to regulate legal immigration, a system based primarily on family ties and, to a lesser extent, employment.

With Biden expected to kick off his reelection campaign this week, Republicans are likely to focus on what they call his overly permissive immigration policies.

Twenty Republican-led states, including Texas, Florida, Tennessee, and Arkansas, have sued in federal court to suspend the parole program for residents of Cuba, Haiti, Nicaragua, and Venezuela, arguing that it will admit 360,000 new immigrants a year from those countries and burden states with additional costs for health care, education, and law enforcement.

In adopting the programs for Latin Americans, the Biden administration was responding to widespread criticism over the chaotic situation on the southern border, which last year saw 1.5 million unauthorized crossings. It bypassed years of failed attempts in Congress to legalize undocumented workers already in the country or to make more visas available to employers who wish to bring in temporary workers.

The new parole programs are temporary.

Daily Briefing

Family of slain Ariz. woman files lawsuit

TUCSON — The family of an Arizona property manager who was fatally shot during an attempted eviction in Tucson last year has filed a $50 million claim against Pima County and others.

An attorney representing Angela Fox's family alleges in the claim that county constable Deborah Martinez-Garibay had cocaine, amphetamine, methamphetamine, and alcohol in her system at the time of the fatal shooting and also was under investigation by the county for felony fraud, the Arizona Republic reported Sunday.

Fox, 28, was a property manager for a management company that included Lind Commons Apartments in Tucson.

She went with Martinez-Garibay to evict tenant Gavin Lee Stansell on Aug. 25 last year.

An eviction complaint filed 10 days earlier by a landlord in Pima County Consolidated Justice Court indicated Stansell had previously threatened and intimidated neighbors with a gun in July.

Tucson police said the 24-year-old Stansell fatally shot Fox, Martinez-Garibay, and a neighbor at the apartment complex before killing himself.

The claim, which is a precursor to a lawsuit, said Martinez-Garibay knew that Stansell possessed a firearm but still had Fox accompany her to serve the eviction.

Martinez-Garibay, 43, was hired in March 2022 when her predecessor reportedly quit over frustration about serving eviction notices.

Attorneys for Fox's family said in the claim that Martinez-Garibay was unfit for the job because she had not received the mandatory constable training.

The claim also said that after Martinez-Garibay was hired, it was discovered she had falsified signatures on her petition to run for constable and wasn't a resident of the county's Precinct 8 as candidates were required.

Constables are elected peace officers who serve civil or criminal papers for Pima Justice Court and several county agencies. They can also serve papers from courts outside the region.

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PATRICK T. FALLON/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

FALLING BACK TO EARTH — People walked in the debris field Saturday at the launch pad where the SpaceX Starship rocket lifted off last week in Boca Chica, Texas. The rocket exploded three minutes after launch.

Six cows found mutilated in Texas

AUSTIN, Texas — Six mutilated cows were found dead on different properties along a Texas highway spanning three counties, authorities announced this week.

While investigating the death of a 6-year-old cow, five other similar occurrences were reported along the area near College Station spanning Madison, Brazos, and Robertson counties, Madison County Sheriff's officials said Wednesday in a Facebook post. Similar mutilations have been reported around the country, and efforts to coordinate between agencies were underway, the sheriff's office said.

The 6-year-old cow was found with a "straight, clean cut, with apparent precision" removing the hide around one side of the animal's mouth, authorities said. The tongue was also removed, with no blood spill. Ranchers reported no predators or birds had scavenged the remains, the Sheriff's office said.

The cows were found in similar conditions, but in two instances, additional external organs were taken, the Sheriff's office said.

Each cow was mutilated in a different location and there were no signs of struggle, the grass was undisturbed, and there were no footprints or tire tracks discovered around the deceased cows, according to the post.

The cause of death of all six cows remains unknown.

Madison County Sheriff officials did not respond on Sunday to a request for comment.

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Disney worker charged with voyeurism

ORLANDO — A former Walt Disney World employee is facing a charge that he surreptitiously took a video up the skirt of a female customer, allegedly telling investigators he had done it more than 500 times over the past six years.

Jorge Diaz Vega, 26, worked at the Star Wars gift shop inside Disney World's Hollywood Studios theme park in Florida until his recent arrest on one count of video voyeurism, a third-degree felony punishable by up to five years in prison.

According to court records filed by Orange County Sheriff's detectives, Vega was spotted by a witness shooting a video up an 18-year-old woman's skirt. She later told security officers she was not aware of Vega's actions.

Detectives said that Vega volunteered during questioning that he takes the videos as a "guilty pleasure" and showed them multiple examples on his cellphone.

He was arrested March 31 and released on $2,500 bail. Court records do not show if Vega has an attorney and a current phone number could not be located.

Disney World said Sunday that Vega doesn't currently work for the company.

The sheriff's office deferred until Monday commenting on whether investigators are pursuing more charges.

Both the sheriff's office and Disney declined to say whether they are working to identify the other women Vega allegedly videotaped.

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Food stamp woes worsening hunger in Alaska

EAGLE RIVER, Alaska — Thousands of Alaskans who depend on government assistance have waited months for food stamp benefits, exacerbating a long-standing hunger crisis worsened by the pandemic, inflation and the remnants of a typhoon that wiped out stockpiles of fish and fishing equipment.

The backlog, which began last August, is especially concerning in a state where communities in far-flung areas, including Alaska Native villages, are often not connected by roads. They must have food shipped in by barge or airplane, making the cost of even basic goods exorbitant. Around 13 percent of the state's roughly 735,000 residents received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits — or SNAP — in July, before the troubles began.

"People are struggling and having to make choices of getting food or getting heating fuel," said Daisy Lockwood Katcheak, city administrator in Stebbins, a village of 634 people, more than 400 miles northwest of Anchorage.

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Volunteer Joy Thompson gathered donations.

After front-door shooting, Kansas City grapples with race

A pattern of segregation has shaped the city

By Mitch Smith
NEW YORK TIMES

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — From one vantage point, a postpandemic boom seemed to be taking hold in Kansas City. It was the only Midwestern city selected to host World Cup soccer games. A sparkling airport terminal had just opened, replacing dingy old gates. And downtown, construction crews were at work on a giant stage outside Union Station, a remade train depot that will soon host thousands of visitors for the NFL draft.

But the shooting of a Black teenager named Ralph Yarl this month by an older white man on the city's northern edge jolted residents and shifted the civic conversation. By the time prosecutors filed felony charges last week against the accused gunman, Andrew D. Lester, 84, Kansas City found itself uncomfortably in the national spotlight, and residents were asking how a teen could be shot for something as trivial as ringing the wrong doorbell, and why it took four days to bring charges.

For many, the case reopened big questions about racism and segregation that have been fused into the city's history for generations but never fully reckoned with.

"We need to clean up our house so that we can be proud and not performative when we have company," said Gwen Grant, the president and CEO of the Urban League of Greater Kansas City. She said her city needed to "address the root causes of these problems, and address the systems, and not run away from the tough race and racism conversations."

The shooting of Yarl, 16, who is recovering from his injuries after mistakenly going to the wrong house while trying to pick up his younger siblings, horrified Kansas City residents across racial lines.

"The man should have said, 'Who is it?' Or open the door and look if he didn't know him," said Paul Long, a 68-year-old resident of Kansas City, as he waited at a bus stop last week.

ARIN YOON/NEW YORK TIMES)

Protesters gathered in Kansas City last week in a display of support for Ralph Yarl, who was shot by a homeowner.

"This kind of stuff happens to Black people for the wrong reasons," said Long, who is Black. "It's not the city. It's the people. Some are good and some are not so good."

As days have passed since the shooting, Mayor Quinton Lucas said, "You start to see a different racial reaction," with Black people like himself feeling upset and wanting to talk about deeper issues that were highlighted by the shooting. Some white people, the mayor said, seemed ready to move on, content to chalk up the case as a tragic aberration and to point to the criminal charges as a sign of the system working.

"I think what they're missing is just how much this impacts a lot of us who exist while Black," said Lucas, a Democrat, who has been mayor of this city of 508,000 people since 2019.

"The immediate answer anybody wants to have is, 'Yeah, we're a great place,' " Lucas said. He added: "I think we're a wonderful place. But I think we've got a hell of a lot of things that we should confront to be the best place we can be."

In the earliest days of Kansas City's history, Black people were brought to Missouri as enslaved people, and a pattern of entrenched segregation has shaped the city ever since. In the late 20th century, city leaders struggled to integrate the school system, leading to a legal fight that stretched for decades and extended to the Supreme Court. Even now, a major north-south street, Troost Avenue, is seen as a dividing line, with more Black people living to the east and more white people to the west, including downtown.

That lasting segregation, along with sprawling municipal boundaries that span more than 300 square miles, has created a Kansas City in which many Black and white residents live separate lives. A rush of investment over the past 20 years has brought more people and businesses to the once-struggling downtown. The Northland, the suburban-feeling area north of the Missouri River where Yarl was shot, which is known for being more white and more conservative than the city as a whole, has also continued to grow. But parts of the east side continue to struggle with high crime rates and a feeling of being overlooked.

"If you live in a privileged part of town, a less privileged part of town may as well be across an ocean," said Jason Kander, a former Missouri secretary of state who lives in Kansas City and who is white. He said his city "remains a place that is defined by the old-school red line," and a failure to replicate the economic growth seen in largely white parts of town in mostly Black neighborhoods.

Old dividing lines have blurred some over the decades as Black families have moved west of Troost or north of the river, and the city's record on race is complicated. Lucas is the third Black mayor of a city that remains majority white, and its first Black mayor, Emanuel Cleaver, now represents the area in Congress.

Pollution suit could curb use of aerial fire retardant

Legal dispute focuses on threat to waterways

By Matthew Brown
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BILLINGS, Mont. — A legal dispute in Montana could drastically curb the government's use of aerial fire retardant to combat wildfires after environmentalists raised concerns about waterways that are being polluted with the potentially toxic red slurry dropped from aircraft.

A coalition that includes Paradise, Calif. — where a 2018 blaze killed 85 people and destroyed the town — said a court ruling against the US Forest Service in the case could put lives, homes, and forests at risk.

An advocacy group that's suing the agency claims officials are flouting a federal clean water law by continuing to use retardant without taking adequate precautions to protect streams and rivers.

The group, Forest Service Employees for Environmental Ethics, requested an injunction blocking officials from using aerial retardant until they get a pollution permit.

The dispute comes as wildfires across North America have grown bigger and more destructive over the past two decades because climate change, people moving into fire-prone areas, and overgrown forests are creating more catastrophic megafires that are harder to fight.

Forest Service officials acknowledged in court filings that retardant has been dropped into waterways more then 200 times over the past decade. They said it happens usually by mistake and in less than 1 percent of the thousands of drops annually, and that environmental damage from fires can exceed the pollution from retardant.

"The only way to prevent accidental discharges of retardant to waters is to prohibit its use entirely," government attorneys wrote. "Such a prohibition would be tantamount to a complete ban of aerial discharges of retardant."

Government officials and firefighters say fire retardant can be crucial to slowing the advance of a blaze so firefighters can try to stop it.

"It buys you time," said Scott Upton, a former region chief and air attack group supervisor for California's state fire agency. "We live in a populous state — there are people everywhere. It's a high priority for us to be able to use the retardant, catch fires when they're small."

Forest Service officials said they are trying to come into compliance with the law by getting a pollution permit but that could take years.

"The Forest Service says it should be allowed to pollute, business as usual," said Andy Stahl, who leads the Eugene, Ore.-based group behind the lawsuit. "Our position is that business as usual is illegal."

A ruling from US District Judge Dana Christensen is expected sometime after the opposing sides present their arguments during a Monday hearing in federal court in Missoula.

More than 100 million gallons of fire retardant were used during the past decade.

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The World

Russia reportedly evacuates southern site

Kremlin forces may be preparing for counterstrike

By Jeffrey Gettleman and Olha Kotiuzhanska
NEW YORK TIMES

KYIV — Russian troops are forcibly relocating people from occupied areas near the southern Ukrainian city of Kherson, a Ukrainian official said Sunday, suggesting the move could indicate that Moscow's forces might be preparing to withdraw further from that area before an anticipated Ukrainian counteroffensive.

Russian forces retreated from Kherson in November and decamped to just across the Dnieper River, from where they have frequently launched attacks on the city. In recent weeks, the Ukrainian military has warned that Russian occupation authorities have been preparing to evacuate civilians from the territory it still controls in the broader Kherson region before any potential counteroffensive.

On Sunday, the Ukrainian head of Kherson's regional council, Oleksandr Samoylenko, said the evacuations had begun.

"I have information that the evacuation starts today with an excuse of protecting civilians from the consequences of heavy fighting in the area," Samoylenko said. He said the troops were "trying to steal as much as they can" as they withdrew.

The assertions could not be independently verified, and there was no immediate comment from Russian authorities. However, at other points in the war, evacuations from Russian occupied areas have precipitated an eventual pullback of Russian forces in the face of Ukrainian advances. And in Russia's view, Kherson is one of several Ukrainian regions that are now legally part of Russia.

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On Sunday, a Ukrainian soldier peered out of a tank on the front line in Bakhmut, Donetsk region, Ukraine.

Seizing back chunks of Russian-occupied territory in southern Ukraine is widely believed to be one potential aim of an anticipated Ukrainian counteroffensive, and Samoylenko's remarks came as military analysts reported that small teams of Ukrainian forces had recently seized marshy islands on a stretch of the Dnieper River near the city of Kherson, which is in Ukrainian hands.

Citing Russian military bloggers, analysts from the Institute for the Study of War, a Washington-based research group, said in a report on Saturday that Ukrainian forces had been attacking Russian troops dug into the river banks a mile or so outside Kherson. And residents of the city, reached by phone on Sunday, said the Ukrainian military had been increasingly active along the river.

Ukrainian officials — who have kept details of any counteroffensive closely guarded — were tight-lipped about their troops' movements on Sunday. Natalia Humeniuk, the spokesperson for the Ukrainian military southern command, did not confirm or deny the reports that Ukrainian forces were advancing across the Dnieper River. She said the Russian forces were "stealing everything they could get their hands on: domestic appliances, factory equipment, even ATM machines," adding, "Whenever the Russians start stealing everything, it means they are not going to return."

A looting spree occurred before the Russians' sudden withdrawal from the city of Kherson in mid-November. A few weeks before they left, the Russians cleaned out the city's factories, boatyards, car dealerships, and Kherson's significant collection of fine art and priceless ancient artifacts. Humeniuk said that Russian forces were preparing new lines of defense along the river and that commanders had brought in the Russian national guard to watch over other troops and make sure they didn't try to desert.

Ukraine's Western allies have been rushing in tanks, field cannons, and crates of artillery shells before a counteroffensive, although the supplies have so far fallen short of what has been pledged, according to leaked classified documents.

In the meantime, Russian forces continued to pound Ukrainian cities with missiles, mortars, artillery fire, and airstrikes over the weekend, killing at least one person and taking out homes and critical infrastructure, Ukrainian officials said Sunday.

The damage reports came in from various hot spots: Kherson; Kharkiv, in the northeast; and the eastern city of Bakhmut. Seizing Bakhmut has been a priority for President Vladimir Putin of Russia.

Chinese diplomat facing backlash

Questions Baltic states' sovereignty

By Jari Tanner
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HELSINKI — The three Baltic states have strongly condemned comments by China's envoy to France, who appeared to suggest in a recent French television interview that former Soviet republics aren't sovereign nations.

The foreign ministers of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, in separate announcements late Saturday, deemed statements by Lu Shaye, China's ambassador to France, as unacceptable.

In a recent interview with the French news channel LCI, he was asked whether he thought that the Crimean Peninsula belongs to Ukraine. Russia annexed Crimea from Ukraine in 2014, a move that most of the world denounced as illegal.

"That depends ... on how one perceives this problem," the envoy told the broadcaster. "There's the history. Crimea was at the beginning Russian, no? It was (Soviet leader Nikita) Khrushchev who gave Crimea to Ukraine in the era of the Soviet Union."

When the channel's presenter noted that according to international law, Crimea is part of Ukraine, the Chinese ambassador drew a parallel to the former Soviet republics — including the three Baltic nations — that broke free after the USSR collapsed in 1991.

"With regards to international law, even these ex-Soviet Union countries, they do not, they do not have the status — how to say it? — that's effective in international law, because there is no international agreement to solidify their status as a sovereign country," he said.

Lithuanian Foreign Minister Gabrielius Landsbergis tweeted that "If anyone is still wondering why the Baltic States don't trust China to 'broker peace in Ukraine,' here's a Chinese ambassador arguing that Crimea is Russian and our countries' borders have no legal basis."

His Estonian counterpart, Margus Tsahkna, said the Chinese ambassador's comments were "false and a misinterpretation of history," while Latvian Foreign Minister Edgar Rinkevics said that the statements were "completely unacceptable."

Tallinn, Riga, and Vilnius would each summon China's ambassador or representative for an explanation of the envoy's comments, the three Baltic countries said. European Union and NATO members Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania regained their independence in 1991 amid the fall of the Soviet Union after nearly five decades of Moscow's rule.

In a separate statement, France's Foreign Ministry expressed concern about the ambassador's comments about former Soviet states and said: "It's for China to say whether these comments reflect its position, which we hope is not the case."

The French ministry said these countries gained independence "after decades of oppression" and that in the specific case of Ukraine, "the entirety of the international community, including China," recognized its borders, including Crimea, when it declared independence in 1991.

European Union foreign policy chief Josep Borrell on Sunday criticized the Chinese ambassador's "unacceptable remarks" on former Soviet republics' sovereignty.

"The EU can only suppose these declarations do not represent China's official policy," he tweeted.

President Vladimir Putin of Russia, which is China's ally, has said several times that he doesn't recognize the sovereignty of Ukraine.

Daily Briefing

Election official is assassinated in Myanmar

A top election official for Myanmar's military junta has been assassinated by bicycle-riding gunmen from a rebel group, which accused him of being complicit in "oppressing and terrorizing" the public. It is the latest in a series of high-profile killings targeting a military that has escalated attacks on civilians.

The official, Sai Kyaw Thu, a retired lieutenant colonel who served as deputy director general of the Union Election Commission, was fatally shot Saturday afternoon after driving his wife, a doctor, to her job at a hospital in Yangon, Myanmar's largest city.

A resistance group calling itself For the Yangon claimed responsibility for the killing. A spokesperson for the group, who gave his name only as Sky, said Sai Kyaw Thu was targeted in part because he testified last year against the country's ousted civilian leader, Aung San Suu Kyi, and the ousted president, U Win Myint, at their trial for election fraud. Both were convicted and sentenced to the maximum three years in prison.

A security camera outside a Yangon pharmacy captured the attack as two men rode up on one bicycle, jumped off in the middle of the street and began firing their handguns at a black sport utility vehicle. The car ran over the bicycle and continued down the road.

The two gunmen, who both wore hats and face masks, then returned to the bike. One man picked it up, but it was apparently damaged; putting their guns back into shoulder bags, they fled on foot.

NEW YORK TIMES

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HISTORICAL PAGEANT — People wearing Roman Centurion costumes took part in a parade to celebrate Rome's birthday near the Colosseum on Sunday, marking the 2776th anniversary of the city's foundation in 753 BC. The annual celebration includes re-enactments of ancient Roman rituals, costumed parades, and gladiator fights.

India arrests Sikh separatist

NEW DELHI — Indian authorities have arrested a self-described separatist, officials in the border state of Punjab said Sunday, after a high-profile, monthlong chase that prompted fears of a revival of a Sikh insurgency there.

The hunt for Amritpal Singh, which began on March 18, had led to heavy social media censorship, a statewide partial Internet shutdown, and roughly 200 arrests of alleged co-conspirators.

The new domestic security concern in the region bordering Pakistan was the latest instance of increasing turbulence associated with the Sikh separatist movement known as Khalistan over the past five years.

The issue has become a diplomatic flash point, with protests in support of Amritpal taking place in the United States, Britain and Canada — some of which had led to vandalism of Indian embassies.

A photo of him towered over a sea of supporters in New York City's Times Square in March.

WASHINGTON POST

Kenya cult probe leads to 39 bodies

NAIROBI — Thirty-nine bodies have been found so far on land owned by a pastor in coastal Kenya who was arrested for telling his followers to fast to death.

Malindi sub-county police chief John Kemboi said that more shallow graves have yet to be dug up on the land belonging to pastor Paul Makenzi, who was arrested on April 14 over links to cultism.

The total death toll is 43, because a further four people died after they and others were discovered starving at the Good News International Church last week.

Police have asked a court to allow them to hold Makenzi longer as investigations continue. A tipoff from members of the public led police to raid the pastor's property in Malindi, where they found 15 emaciated people, including the four who later died. The followers said they were starving on the pastor's instructions in order to meet Jesus.

Police had been told there were dozens of shallow graves spread across Makenzi's farm and digging started on Friday.

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Peru ex-president returned home to face corruption charges

LIMA — Former president Alejandro Toledo arrived in Lima Sunday after being extradited from the United States to face charges he allegedly received millions of dollars in bribes in a giant corruption scandal that has ensnared four of Peru's former presidents.

Toledo, who was Peru's president from 2001 to 2006, had surrendered to U.S. authorities on Friday, ending a yearslong legal battle against his extradition, which started in 2019 when he was arrested at his home in Menlo Park, Calif.

Police and officials from Peru's prosecutor's office received Toledo, 77, at Lima's airport early Sunday. Police released a photo of Toledoaccompanied by agents. He was transferred to a court in Lima.

Peru's former president will serve 18 months of preventative detention while he is investigated for allegedly taking at least $20 million in bribes from Odebrecht, a giant Brazilian construction company that has admitted to U.S. authorities that it bribed officials to win contracts throughout Latin America for decades.

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Alejandro Toledo is charged with receiving bribes.

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MIGRANTS HEAD NORTH IN MEXICO — Around 3,000 migrants set out Sunday on what they call a mass protest procession through southern Mexico to demand the end of detention centers like the one that caught fire last month, killing 40 migrants. In the past, many participants in such processions have continued on to the US border, which is almost always their goal.

US pulls diplomats in harrowing Sudan rescue

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eign governments took another tack this weekend: fleeing a country, long viewed as strategically important, that has been in the grip of intense fighting for over a week.

Emotions were raw.

Some Sudanese, feeling angry and abandoned, lashed out Sunday at the Western negotiators they blame for the disastrous collapse of political talks that were supposed to lead to civilian rule — but instead became a flashpoint for the two generals now battling for power.

Foreign officials, some say, went too far to appease the generals, treating them nearly as statesmen when in fact the two men seized power in a coup and have long records of abuses and deception. Some Sudanese fear that now, the exit of foreign diplomats might allow an even more brutal turn.

"You put us in this mess and now you're swooping in to take your kinfolk (the ones that matter) and leaving us behind to these two murdering psychopaths," Dallia Mohamed Abdelmoniem, a Sudanese former journalist and commentator, said on Twitter.

At least 400 people have been killed in the clashes and 3,500 injured, according to the United Nations, and two-thirds of the hospitals have closed. As prices soar, food is scarce; over the weekend, the country's largest flour mill was destroyed in fighting. Supplies of cash are low.

With no end of the fighting in sight, concern is growing that the battles might end up entangling other nations in the volatile region.

On Sunday, the cacophony of gunfire and bombs that has trapped thousands in their homes in the Sudanese capital paused briefly, allowing the Americans to withdraw. But the clashes resumed after they left, putting evacuees from other countries in danger.

One French national was hit by gunfire when a French convoy came under fire, and had to be treated at an airfield as the evacuees waited to depart, a Western official said. Egypt said a member of its embassy had been shot, without elaborating.

The diplomatic rout was a page in Sudan's history that it never wanted to turn. The violence engulfing Khartoum has shattered a century of calm in the capital, which last experienced violent clashes of such scale in the colonial era, when it was attacked by the British.

Now Sudan's capital is crumbling, threatening to bring the entire country — Africa's third largest — down with it. And as it does, foreign powers, which have long tried to stake claims in a mineral-rich nation with geopolitical value, are hastily reassessing their positions.

The most complicated extraction was performed by the Americans. They had been looking to move since Friday, when President Biden ordered an evacuation as soon as it was safe and feasible.

As hopes faded for a truce between Sudan's warring factions, it became clear that the US Embassy, in the Soba district of south Khartoum, could no longer count on steady access to food, fuel and power, and Secretary of State Antony Blinken concluded that there was no choice but to evacuate it.

ITALIAN DEFENSE MINISTRY VIA AP

A cargo plane landed in Khartoum, Sudan, to evacuate Italian citizens Sunday.

But first embassy workers had to assemble there. As the American diplomats arrived at the embassy, dashing from their homes during lulls in the fighting, US officials at the Pentagon weighed their options.

The city's main airport, hit by shell fire during days of intense fighting, was considered inoperable. The route to Port Sudan, 525 miles away, carried risks because it lacked reliable access to fuel, food and water.

That left the option they went with: an airlift using MH-47 Chinook helicopters. The military also had V-22 Ospreys — a special plane that can take off and land vertically, with no need for a runway — available for the operation, according to three officials, but it remains unclear what role they played.

On Saturday afternoon, three of the Chinooks took off from a US base in Djibouti, in the Horn of Africa, carrying four dozen of the Navy's elite SEAL team 6 commandos, famous for the mission that killed Osama bin Laden in Pakistan in 2011. The giant twin-rotor aircraft were piloted by the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, known as the Night Stalkers.

Moving fast and low through the night, the aircraft crossed the desert without lights, hoping to land close to the embassy.

Even with assurances from both sides in the fighting — Sudan's military, led by General Abdel-Fattah Burhan, and the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces, led by Lieutenant General Mohammed Hamdan Dagalo — that their forces would stand down during the American evacuation, it was risky.

On the ground, CIA paramilitary officers and specialists were collecting intelligence to support the operation, specifically looking for any threats to the evacuation force, including shoulder-fired surface-to-air missiles that might shoot down the helicopters. In the air, Air Force AC-130 gunships, bristling with 105-millimeter cannons, flew overhead to provide firepower.

The three helicopters landed in an open area near the embassy half an hour after midnight in Sudan. As a security cordon protected the aircraft, almost 90 people boarded: 72 embassy personnel, as well as six Canadian diplomats and a smattering of Western embassy and UN officials, two US officials said.

About 30 minutes later, the aircraft lifted off into the night sky, a US official said. They landed in Ethiopia, where the evacuees transferred into a C-17 transport plane that flew them to Camp Lemonnier, the US base in Djibouti.

The evacuees constitute a tiny fraction of an estimated 16,000 Americans still in Sudan, mostly dual nationals. Leaving may not be so easy for them. Given the challenging environment, the US government does not expect to evacuate private citizens "in the coming days," said State Department official John Bass.

Still, in the early hours of Sunday, other countries and groups started to do just that.

The biggest convoy was organized by the United Nations, with a long train of vehicles leaving from the UN headquarters in Khartoum shortly after dawn.

Mass. woman, toddler trapped in Khartoum crossfire

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ting Clifford has become her "morning coffee routine." But by Sunday afternoon, around when the sun began to set in Sudan, she said she had not heard from Clifford in hours.

"She said to expect that she may not be able to be in contact today, and that's new for us," Winter said in a phone interview. "She also let me know today that food and water is getting more scarce, they're rationing as much as they can. They don't know when or if there will be another food drop coming."

Clifford, who lives in an apartment complex operated by her school and protected by a pair of armed guards, was moved to a lower-level unit Friday after airstrikes pummeled the ground less than a half mile away, according to Winter.

Ten of Clifford's coworkers live in the complex but visiting another apartment would mean stepping onto outdoor walkways, leaving her and her daughter exposed.

The recent outbreak of violence is one of the first in Sudan's history to be centered mostly in the capital, according to Zachary Mondesire, assistant professor of international relations at Boston University. Previous clashes, he said, have been largely confined to peripheral and southern regions — far from the Khartoum airport.

"It seems that there probably weren't really contingency plans for how to get people out if the airport is completely shut down and out of the control of the national army," said Mondesire, who flew out of that airport at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

American citizens appear to be stuck with similar access to resources as Sudanese locals — "it's almost like everybody is on their own," he said.

US forces evacuated about 90 American embassy personnel in Sudan on Sunday, bringing them to Ethiopia, in response to an order issued by President Biden, according to The New York Times, but the White House has said it has no plan for a broader evacuation of trapped US citizens. Winter said Clifford has been told "very sternly" by US officials and school administrators to not attempt to flee with any third party.

At least one American has been killed in the conflict, although details have not been released, the State Department told NBC News Friday.

"We need to evacuate not just Trill and her baby, but all of the US citizens who are seeking evacuation right now," Winter said. "If the US Embassy is saying they're the ones who need to handle this, then they need to handle it. Sheltering in place is not an option anymore."

An estimated 16,000 US citizens are registered with the embassy as being in Sudan, Africa's third-largest country, but that figure may be inaccurate, as there is no requirement for Americans to notify the embassy if they leave the country, according to the State Department.

Winter said she reached out to the office of Governor Maura Healey and has been in contact with Senator Elizabeth Warren's office. Karissa Hand, a spokesperson for the governor, wrote in an e-mail that Healey's administration is "in touch with our federal partners and working to get in touch with Trillian's family to offer support."

CAUGHT IN SUDAN

US citizens must 'make their own arrangements to stay safe,' US spokesman John Kirby said.

In a statement, Warren said her office has reached out to the State Department.

"It's a heartbreaking situation, and helping them secure safe passage to evacuate is an urgent priority," Warren said.

On Friday, National Security Council spokesman John Kirby said US citizens in Sudan must "make their own arrangements to stay safe in these difficult circumstances." "Americans should have no expectation of a US government-coordinated evacuation at this time," Kirby said. "And we expect that that's going to remain the case."

Mondesire said there is a "Hollywood myth" about government capabilities in such situations as Sudan.

"There's this kind of presumption of the US government, that not only is it this all-powerful entity, but that it intrinsically will be triggered to come in and save its own citizens anywhere in the world," he said. "I just don't think this is true."

Clifford and her daughter have been without electricity for several days, said Winter, who lives in Acton with her husband, Tim Winter, who is Trillian's brother, and Clifford's mother.

Winter said Clifford is concerned that she will be unable to provide suitable nutrition for Alma, whom she has begun breastfeeding again. But that means Clifford requires more calories to nurse the toddler, and food is already stretched thin.

"Aside from that, it's just the monotony of trying to entertain a toddler," Winter said. "The new apartment isn't baby-proofed at all. So she feels like she can't even take a moment to sit down and breathe. She has to be watching Alma all the time."

At 18 months, Winter said, Alma is too young to understand what is going on outside the apartment door, but has become increasingly cranky over the last few days, picking up on her mother's anxious energy. Winter said Clifford sent a video of the baby trying to cheer up her mother, bringing a toy to Clifford and saying "happy mommy."

Gunfire and bombings continued throughout the weekend between the Sudanese army, under General Abdel Fattah al-Burhan, and the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces, led by Mohamed Hamdan Dagalo, despite an agreement Friday for a three-day ceasefire to honor the Muslim holiday of Eid al-Fitr.

The warring factions also had failed to observe two earlier ceasefires since the fighting broke out April 15.

Other nations began evacuations over the weekend, including citizens and foreign nationals, according to Reuters.

Winter said Clifford has a "go-bag" packed.

"All she can control is that she's ready to leave whenever someone can get her," she said. "She's really feeling helpless."

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COVID-19 censorship hinders narrative

China accused of pulling research

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NEW YORK TIMES

Early in 2020, on the same day that a frightening new illness officially got the name COVID-19, a team of scientists from the United States and China released critical data showing how quickly the virus was spreading and who was dying.

The study was cited in health warnings around the world and appeared to be a model of international collaboration in a moment of crisis.

Within days, though, the researchers quietly withdrew the paper, which was replaced online by a message telling scientists not to cite it. A few observers took note of the peculiar move, but the whole episode quickly faded amid the frenzy of the coronavirus pandemic.

What is now clear is that the study was not removed because of faulty research. Instead, it was withdrawn at the direction of Chinese health officials amid a crackdown on science. That effort kicked up a cloud of dust around the dates of early COVID cases, like those reported in the study.

"It was so hard to get any information out of China," said one of the authors, Ira Longini, of the University of Florida, who described the backstory of the removal publicly for the first time in a recent interview. "There was so much covered up, and so much hidden."

That the Chinese government muzzled scientists, hindered international investigations, and censored online discussion of the pandemic is well documented. But Beijing's stranglehold on information goes far deeper than even many pandemic researchers are aware of. Its censorship campaign has targeted international journals and scientific databases, shaking the foundations of shared scientific knowledge, a New York Times investigation found.

Under pressure from their government, Chinese scientists have withheld data, withdrawn genetic sequences from public databases, and altered crucial details in journal submissions. Western journal editors enabled those efforts by agreeing to those edits or withdrawing papers for murky reasons, a review by the Times of over a dozen retracted papers found.

Groups including the World Health Organization have given credence to muddled data and inaccurate timelines.

This scientific censorship has not universally succeeded: The original version of the February 2020 paper, for example, can still be found online with some digging. But the campaign starved doctors and policymakers of critical information about the virus at the moment the world needed it most. It bred mistrust of science in Europe and the United States, as health officials cited papers from China that were then retracted.

The crackdown continues to breed misinformation today and has hindered efforts to determine the origins of the virus.

Such censorship spilled into public view recently, when an international group of scientists discovered genetic sequence data that Chinese researchers had collected from a Wuhan market in January 2020 but withheld from foreign experts for three years — a delay that global health officials called "inexcusable."

The sequences showed that raccoon dogs, a foxlike animal, had deposited genetic signatures in the same place that genetic material from the virus was left, a finding consistent with a scenario in which the virus spread to people from illegally traded market animals.

The Chinese Embassy in Washington did not respond to requests for comment. At a news conference this month, scientists from the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention called such criticism "intolerable."

Rodriguez likely to run Biden's 2024 campaign

POLITICAL NOTEBOOK

WASHINGTON — President Biden is expected to tap Julie Rodriguez, a senior White House adviser, to manage his reelection campaign, a person familiar with deliberations on the matter said Sunday.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because Rodriguez's appointment has not been finalized and Biden has yet to formally launch his reelection campaign. CBS News was first to report that Biden has decided to pick Rodriguez.

Rodriguez, a longtime Democratic party activist, also worked in President Barack Obama's White House. She's the granddaughter of labor leader Cesar Chavez and labor activist Helen Fabela Chávez.

Growing up in California she was active in campaigns, picket lines, boycotts, marches, and union meetings.

She has served as Biden's director of the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs since the beginning of his presidency and added the senior adviser role last June.

Rodriguez also has deep ties to Vice President Kamala Harris. She served on Harris's Senate staff and on Harris's 2020 presidential campaign as national political director and traveling chief of staff. She went on to be hired by Biden's 2020 presidential campaign as a deputy campaign manager and senior adviser for Latino outreach.

Biden is expected to formally announce his 2024 reelection campaign as soon as this week, according to three people briefed on the discussions.

The people, who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss internal deliberations, said they were not aware that a final decision on timing had been made, but that Biden had been eyeing Tuesday, four years to the day since the Democrat entered the 2020 race. The upcoming announcement is expected to be in the form of a video released to supporters.

Biden, 80, has repeatedly said he intends to run for a second term, but advisers say he has felt little need to jump into campaigning because he faces no significant opposition to his party's nomination.

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Former vice president Mike Pence spoke at an Iowa Faith & Freedom Coalition event on Saturday.

National push to bolster election-technology security

ATLANTA — An effort to create a national testing program for technology central to US elections will be launched later this year, aiming to strengthen the security of equipment that has been targeted by foreign governments and provided fertile ground for conspiracy theories.

So far, states have been left on their own to evaluate the technology that provides the backbone of election operations: voter registration databases, websites used to report unofficial results on election night, and electronic pollbooks, which are used instead of paper rolls to check in voters at polling places.

The nonprofit Center for Internet Security hopes to provide the nation's first uniform testing program for the technology, similar to one for voting machines. Its goal is to start the voluntary service in September as a way to help boost the security and reliability of the technology before the 2024 presidential election.

In 2020, 15 states, including Arizona, Florida, and Nevada, did not require any type of electronic pollbook testing or certification, according to federal data.

"This is a critical need being filled at a critical time," said Chris Wlaschin, senior vice president for Election Systems & Software, a leading voting machine manufacturer that also produces electronic pollbooks. "I think as more election officials learn about it, the more they're going to ask for it."

The use of electronic pollbooks in particular has expanded rapidly in recent years. Nearly one-third of all voting jurisdictions in the United States used electronic pollbooks in 2020, compared with about 18 percent four years earlier, according to data collected by federal Election Assistance Commission.

The systems bring unique security challenges. In many cases, they have Internet connections or interact with systems that do. In counties with a vote center model, where registered voters can cast a ballot at any polling place, electronic pollbooks often communicate with each other and with the central voter registration system. That's one way to ensure people are not able to vote at multiple locations or vote in-person after returning a mail ballot.

How much of an effect the new testing program will have on the 2024 presidential election is yet be determined. Much depends on how many technology providers sign up and how many state election offices will use it, but there appears to be wide interest.

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GOP lawmakers want state control of St. Louis police

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — Ten years after gaining local control of its police for the first time since the Civil War, the city of St. Louis has more murders than ever before — and Missouri's Republican lawmakers are again pressuring for a state takeover of the police force.

The debate over policing power in St. Louis — a racially diverse, heavily Democratic city long vexed by violent crime — carries political and racial overtones like those that have roiled other cities and states this year. But data suggest neither state nor local control may make much difference when it comes to stemming homicides.

"Lots of things matter a whole lot more, like widespread social unrest, the economy crashing, that sort of thing," said Richard Rosenfeld, a criminologist at the University of Missouri-St. Louis who analyzed the city's crime statistics.

With violent crime troubling many large cities, Republicans nationwide have pushed a tough-on-crime agenda that would make it harder for the accused to get out of jail on bail and lock up people longer when convicted of certain offenses. Now a proposed state takeover of the St. Louis Police Department is being touted as a way to fight crime.

Missouri provides a unique case study in the effectiveness of state or local control of police departments.

For much of its history, police in Missouri's two largest cities of St. Louis and Kansas City had been overseen by state boards appointed predominantly by the governor. That ended for St. Louis in 2013, after voters approved a statewide ballot measure to return police oversight to city officials. Around then, a mayor's task force in Kansas City narrowly recommended continuing state control over its police.

Since 2014, both cities have seen homicide surges. Kansas City's homicide rate rose by an average yearly rate of 6.7 percent, topping 150 deaths each of the past four years, according to Rosenfeld's research. Homicide rates in St. Louis, long higher than in Kansas City, increased by an average annual rate of 8.2 percent, exceeding 190 deaths each of the past four years. Both cities also saw upticks in homicides in the early 1990s, when both had state control of their police.

Despite the slightly larger increase in St. Louis, "there is no statistically significant difference between the change in homicide in St. Louis and the change in homicide in Kansas City since local control was restored in St. Louis," Rosenfeld said.

Yet some state lawmakers contend it's time to declare local police control a failure in St. Louis.

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McCarthy pledges GOP will pass debt bill in House

Speaker Kevin McCarthy said that the House will pass his $1.5 trillion debt-ceiling increase plan this week, but he dodged when asked if he has already secured the 218 Republican votes he needs.

"We will hold a vote this week and we will pass it," McCarthy said on Fox News's "Sunday Morning Futures."

A person familiar with the counting said McCarthy hadn't lined up enough votes as of Sunday to pass the bill, but the effort is making progress. Asked on Fox News if he has the votes, McCarthy noted that he has a "very small majority" margin in which just five defectors can sink a bill.

"I cannot imagine someone in our conference that would want to go along with Biden's reckless spending," he said.

McCarthy's proposal would increase the nation's debt ceiling by $1.5 trillion, in order to stave off a US payments default until March 31, 2024, at the latest. It aims to trim $4.5 trillion in spending over a decade, in part by cutting discretionary spending by $130 billion next year and capping its growth at 1 percent.

The bill, a grab bag of conservative measures, would ease energy regulations, end clean-energy tax breaks, rescind unspent COVID-19 funds, and impose new work requirements on adults without children who receive Medicaid and food stamps.

BLOOMBERG NEWS

Pence draws contrast with Trump on abortion

CLIVE, Iowa — Former vice president Mike Pence on Saturday sought to draw a direct contrast with former president Donald Trump over abortion, rejecting the idea that laws on the procedure should be left solely to each state as he spoke at an event featuring current and prospective presidential candidates.

Pence, who has made moves toward entering the Republican primary against the president under whom he served, directly referenced Trump in comments about abortion to reporters. "I do think it's more likely that this issue is resolved at the state level, but I don't agree with the former president, who says this is a states-only issue," said Pence. "We've been given a new beginning for life in this country. I think we have an opportunity to advance the sanctity of life, move it ever closer to the center of American law."

Pence said he thinks people should look to Congress in addition to their statehouses after the ruling in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, the Supreme Court decision that last year overturned Roe v. Wade, which had previously established a constitutional right to abortion.

Pence mentioned a federal ban after 15 weeks of pregnancy as an idea "that ought to be a part and parcel of debate."

"The Supreme Court didn't turn the issue of abortion over to the states, they turned it over to the American people," said Pence.

WASHINGTON POST

Mt. Washington bumper-sticker boasts draw comic pokes

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my of naysayers who have recently targeted the adhesive souvenirs in videos on TikTok and Instagram, saying it's time for all the bumper-based bragging to come to an end.

"You're literally just driving up a gigantic hill. That's really all it is. You drove up a hill," said Marc Lewis, a comedian from Saugus who has made several videos about his disdain for the stickers. "It's like putting something on your car that says, 'My car drove down my driveway.' "

Lewis, 31, recently included Mount Washington sticker owners on a list of the "four people from Massachusetts that everybody knows." (Also in his roundup: "townies" who attended UMass Amherst and were never seen or heard from again.)

Lewis said it bugs him to see the act of driving up a paved roadway described as "climbing." But what really grinds his gears is that, in his experience, people who prominently display the stickers tend to be menaces on Boston's roads.

"There's a bunch of different signals you can pick up on as far as if a person is going to drive like an absolute clown," Lewis said. "That is absolutely one of, if not the one. It's a red flag."

Others online have openly described themselves as "a hater" of the decals, declared they "don't care" if your car successfully navigated the road, or questioned whether the trip is difficult enough to warrant a prize.

"I'm starting to think that Mount Washington may not be that hard to climb," one person said in a video, after spotting a sticker on a small blue sedan. "It seems like a lot of cars have accomplished this feat."

In a recent TikTok skit, comedian Matt Lyons, who is known for making parody videos that skewer the mannerisms of outdoorsy people, pretended to gloat about the amount of "blood, sweat, and exhaust" spent securing a sticker.

"How's life been since getting the sticker? Let me tell you, it's not as glamorous as it sounds," he said in the clip. "A lot of honking, a lot of yelling and waving on the highways, but, you know, it comes with the territory."

Lisa McCoy, marketing director for the Auto Road, has seen the recent commentary online. But she takes the criticism in stride.

"It's really funny, actually!" she said.

Although she appreciates the humor, McCoy will always defend the use of the stickers.

There's no question that driving up the 162-year-old Mount Washington Auto Road is much easier than it used to be. In years past, when it was a dirt path covered in roots and rocks, the journey was not for the faint of heart. Now that it's fully paved, she said, nearly every car on the market can make it up with relative ease.

But it still takes strong nerves.

The route, which winds around several steep drop-offs without guardrails, tends to spook drivers afraid of heights. Fog, snow, heavy rain, and strong winds are common impediments. As all drivers are warned, the trip down can be more harrowing than the ascent, because it can cause brakes to overheat.

In many cases, people turn around before making it to the top. McCoy said; some even turn in their stickers after they chicken out.

"Even though the road surface is different, it's still a very exciting drive," she said. "It's still a badge of honor because it is an experience like nothing else."

At this point it's hard to imagine the Auto Road without the stickers, which have been a roadway fixture since the early days of car travel. Before the 1960s, the mountain sold a "This car climbed Mt. Washington" placard made of metal. In the years since, cars, trucks, motorcycles, and ATVs have brandished the famous vinyl version, becoming rolling billboards for the Granite State attraction.

"It's in everyone's psyche," McCoy said. "It's an icon."

Still, some who scale Mount Washington on foot — a taxing journey that takes roughly eight hours roundtrip — look down at people who visit the summit without breaking a sweat. Parodies of the sticker that use phrases like, "This driver climbed Mt. Washington, but congrats to your car," are widely available online. Some are even for sale in the Mount Washington gift shop.

But McCoy said giving everyone — regardless of ability level — the chance to see the view from the mountaintop is something to be celebrated, not mocked.

She also urged anyone who still pokes fun at the ubiquitous decals to consider just how spectacular the Auto Road really is. In a half-hour ride, motorists can witness the grandeur of the Presidential Range, watch the climate and landscape change at higher elevations, and step out onto a peak that's so otherworldly, it's been compared to the surface of the moon.

If someone wants to commemorate that trip with a sticker, she said, what's wrong with that?

Despite the grief the stickers are getting online, or how easy the drive to the top has become, one thing is certain: They aren't going anywhere.

"Even if there are cars that hover their way up the mountain like 'The Jetsons,' there will always be 'This car climbed Mt. Washington' bumper stickers," McCoy said.

MT. WASHINGTON AUTO ROAD

Prior to the 1960s, the Mt. Washington Auto Road sold "This car climbed Mt. Washington" bumper placards made out of metal.

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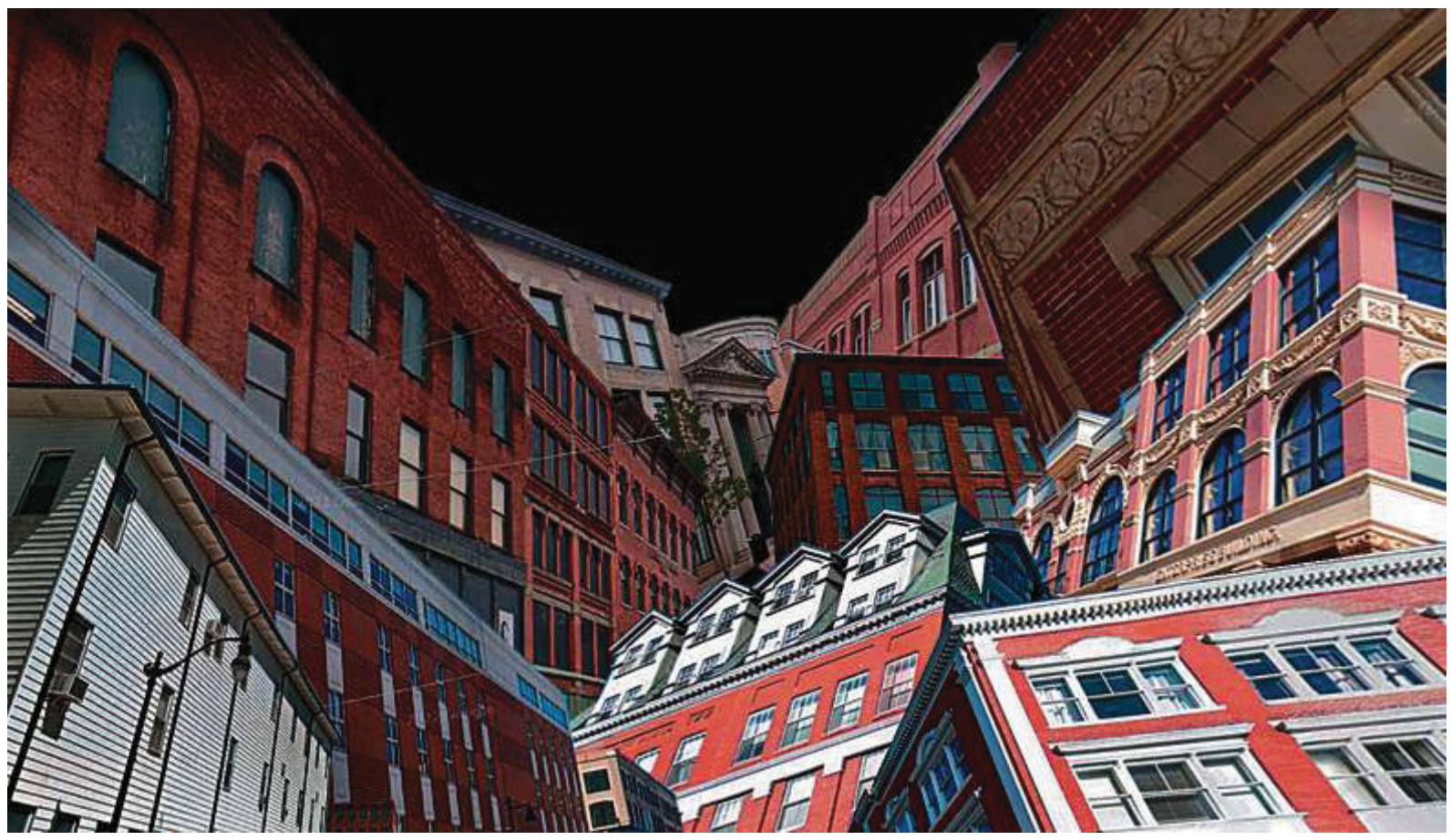
Gateway Cities want to help solve the state's housing crisis. We need to let them.



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Jonathan Sites, an assistant pastor at Brockton Assembly of God, was living in a one-bedroom apartment in Avon when he got married last August. He and his wife, a health policy researcher who works from home, wanted more space, and Sites wanted to live closer to his church.

What they found was a housing market with prices that Sites, a 34-year-old Missouri native, calls "unethically high." Apartments were in poor condition or cost more than the couple could afford. Many modern apartments were restricted to tenants with incomes lower than theirs. Downtown Brockton was populated mainly by subsidized housing and abandoned storefronts.

"We were stuck in a middle ground," Sites said. "We didn't qualify for any subsidies. We wanted to have a livable apartment. But nothing that was livable was affordable."

Historically, Massachusetts housing policy has left people like Sites in the lurch. Suburbs have been allowed to block rental housing, resulting in limited supply and rising prices. The state has focused its limited housing subsidies on creating housing reserved for lower-income people.

The result: concentrated poverty in places like Brockton and other older urban cores, concentrated wealth in the suburbs, and precious few places in the sweet spot where market-rate, multifamily housing is both allowed and financially feasible.

That dynamic is starting to change. State aid for market-rate housing still has critics who would rather see all subsidies go to the poorest. But the state needs to think not just in terms of lifting individuals, but lifting communities and restoring balance to the market. Places like Brockton need people like Sites, and the program that eventually put him in a home deserves to expand.

After two months of searching, Sites and his wife discovered XLVII West Elm. The apartment building, built in 2020 with one- and two-bedroom units just off Brockton's Main Street, advertises designer kitchens, a

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Jonathan Sites, who lives at XLVII West Elm in Brockton, played a game with his wife, Elsa Sites, in their living room.

garage, 9-foot ceilings, and in-unit washer-dryers. Sites describes it as a "nice, slightly bougie modern apartment," with $2,000-a-month rent that fits their budget.

The building was built using the state's Housing Development Incentive Program, or HDIP, which provides tax credits to market-rate, multifamily housing development in Gateway Cities, which are 26 midsize, lower-income cities that anchor regional economies. Its developer, Geoffrey Anatole of South Shore Property Management, said without HDIP, Brockton's market rent would not cover construction costs for high-quality buildings. "If HDIP wasn't here, the projects wouldn't be a possibility," Anatole said.

Over the last decade, Brockton has had 400 new housing units, a mix of subsidized and market rate, either completed or under construction, said Rob May, Brockton's director of planning and economic development. In the last couple of years, a brewery, art museum, and gallery opened downtown. The city is increasingly attracting young professionals who are being priced out of Dorchester, Quincy, and Braintree and want to live a 35-minute commuter train ride from Boston. May hopes that having more people with income moving in will spur the opening of grocery stores, drugstores, restaurants, and shops.

But the key is building more housing. And developers are relying on HDIP, a program with a years-long backlog, which has not awarded new funds since 2021. Unlike state regulations that try to compel communities to build housing, all projects eligible for HDIP tax credits have municipal backing, including financial support through local tax benefits. Gateway City mayors, developers, and business groups have vocally supported expansion. And Brockton provides a prime example of why lawmakers should renew and expand the program.

Many Gateway Cities were once booming industrial towns, which in modern times suffered from economic disinvestment. In the early 1900s, Brockton was the nation's largest shoe producer. But the factories gradually shut down, leaving the town with no major industry.

Different communities use HDIP differently. In Fitchburg, where the downtown area is heavily concentrated with affordable housing, the city wants to help a developer turn three vacant downtown mill buildings into market-rate apartments.

In Attleboro, HDIP funded two projects near a commuter rail station, in an abandoned mill with chemical contamination and a dilapidated hotel — projects where the rents wouldn't cover cleanup and demolition costs.

In Salem, a wealthier community, planning and community development director Tom Daniel said city officials can use HDIP money to help persuade developers to make more units affordable or with generally lower rental prices.

Since 2015, HDIP has awarded $85.9 million to 57 projects with 3,818 units, according to the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development.

Demand far outstrips supply, which is limited because the Legislature caps the program at $10 million annually. According to state data analyzed by the MassINC Policy Center, a think tank and advocacy group that has led on Gateway City issues, the state has awarded $25 million to projects from money that will only be available from this year through 2026. Developers have expressed interest in an additional $14 million worth of tax credits beyond the available funding. The projects in that pipeline would create 1,782 new housing units at an average cost to the state per unit of $22,330. Andre Leroux, director of the Gateway Hubs Project at MassINC, said the actual interest in tax credits is likely far higher, since the state has not solicited applications since 2021.

Then-governor Charlie Baker proposed tripling the annual cap. The House and Senate last year approved that increase and also supported infusing the program with an immediate $57 million to address the backlog. But the economic development bill including those provisions fell apart, and the expansion never became law.

In her fiscal 2024 budget proposal, Governor Maura Healey proposed increasing the cap to $50 million next year on a one-time basis, then keeping it at $30 million annually going forward. The House did not include an HDIP increase in its version of the budget.

The main critique of HDIP comes from affordable housing advocates who say the program strayed from its intent of helping middle-income residents and is instead subsidizing luxury buildings. A report by the Massachusetts Law Reform Institute, a poverty law center, says tax credits have gone to developers building "luxury housing in hot market areas" that can attract private developers without taxpayer support, citing high-end developments in Worcester, Malden, Salem, and elsewhere as examples.

Judith Liben, a housing attorney at the Massachusetts Law Reform Institute, said any HDIP funding for market-rate housing should be targeted solely to communities with weaker markets. Liben and others also argue that with so many Gateway City residents struggling to pay rent, and homelessness increasing, any state housing support should go to increasing income-restricted housing, and any funding for market-rate housing must be paired with a subsidized component.

Senator Jamie Eldridge, a Marlborough Democrat,

Unlike state regulations that try to compel communities to build housing, all projects eligible for HDIP tax credits have municipal backing, including financial support through local tax benefits.

worked with Liben on a bill that would require all HDIP projects to include both market-rate and income-restricted housing. It would limit the funding to communities with distressed markets and require the building of larger units for families with children. Other bills, including one sponsored by Lynn Democrat Representative Peter Capano, would similarly require HDIP projects to contain at least 20 percent income-restricted units.

"If we're serious about making sure we have available housing stock for all residents, we have to make sure every housing tax credit is working to build some affordable housing," Eldridge said.

But researchers at the MassINC Policy Center make a strong case that there are already tax credits for income-restricted housing, and HDIP is the only assistance available to market-rate builders in communities with weak markets. Market-rate housing is vital for communities to attract a professional workforce. And a handful of projects do include subsidized units.

The concerns raised by affordable housing proponents about misuse of funds could and should be addressed by solutions that do not require an overhaul of HDIP.

In 2021, the Office of Housing and Economic Development replaced a first-come, first-serve system for granting tax credits with a competitive process. Projects should continue to be approved competitively, so officials can prioritize projects that serve the Commonwealth's housing goals, including projects in distressed markets and those in wealthier markets that have subsidized units.

Also in 2021, the Legislature required the administration to produce an annual report on HDIP, a mandate Baker officials ignored. Healey has pledged to appoint a Cabinet-level housing secretary, and lawmakers should demand that the new secretariat submit timely annual reports that provide transparent, public data on each housing development approved through HDIP. That would allow for a more informed discussion about how HDIP credits are being used and let lawmakers decide whether additional changes are necessary.

Meanwhile, in Brockton, there is a largely abandoned five-story office building on Main Street. Two small lawyers' offices are the sole tenants of the upstairs floors, while the first floor has a now-closed variety store and a coffee shop that opens three days a week. Across the street, there are two more largely empty retail and office buildings. Developers are waiting for tax credits to begin turning each of the buildings into market-rate rental apartments with first-floor retail space. May said the city has around 350 units of housing in the planning stages, many in the downtown area, including at least five projects awaiting HDIP credits. He worries that if the tax credits don't come through, some developers will be forced to turn to low-income tax credits, further adding to the poverty downtown.

"For us, HDIP is the goose that laid the golden egg," May said.

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The Supreme Court judged it best to preserve the availability of mifepristone to the public than to endanger women and create chaos in the market for FDA-approved medications generally.

Five takeaways from the Supreme Court's abortion pill ruling

By Laurence H. Tribe and Dennis Aftergut

Late Friday, the Supreme Court wisely left the abortion medication mifepristone fully available on the market, at least for the months ahead.

In its decision in Danco Laboratories v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine, the court blocked the enforcement of an April 7 ruling from US District Court Judge Matthew Kacsmaryk, a Donald Trump appointee. His Amarillo, Texas, courthouse has become the favored venue of right-wing groups judge shopping their culture war cases.

In an act of extreme right-wing judicial activism, Kacsmaryk decided that 23 years ago, the Food and Drug Administration had failed to follow proper safety procedures for a pharmaceutical that health care providers have prescribed and women have used over 4 million times. More than 100 peer-reviewed research papers have confirmed its safety.

With Friday's stay, the case will now return to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals for full consideration.

Justice Clarence Thomas dissented from the stay without saying why. Justice Samuel Alito dissented as well but offered his version of an explanation.

In his three-page opinion, Alito wrote that he would have left in place the April 12 revision of Kacsmaryk's ruling by the Fifth Circuit, once a reliable defender of civil rights but now by any measure the "Trumpiest court in America." The circuit court said that, while the time to invalidate a 23-year-old agency ruling had long since passed, it was fine to second-guess FDA scientists' expert judgment seven years ago that extended approval of the drug from the seventh week of pregnancy to the 10th.

The Supreme Court's temporary halt of such second-guessing is good for science and especially good for women. Many don't even know they're pregnant at seven weeks. The Fifth Circuit judges also said the drug couldn't be sent through the mail under the 150-year-old Comstock Act, a statutory relic of the Victorian Age that made it illegal to use the mail to send anything "illicit" or pertaining to birth control. Good luck to women living in rural America or a Native American reservation.

Dissents like Alito's can be clues to the majority's thinking. He complained that neither petitioner — the FDA or Danco, a manufacturer of mifepristone — could prove "irreparable harm" should the Fifth Circuit's ruling remain in place.

The majority plainly disagreed. They evidently judged it best to preserve the availability of a drug to prescribers and the public than to endanger women and create chaos in the market for FDA-approved medications generally. Millions of women have found the drug overwhelmingly beneficial and safe.

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Moreover, the rulings from lower courts represent the first time courts have ever invalidated a drug determination by scientists at the FDA. As American Medical Association President Jack Resneck warned in The New York Times last week, "ideologically driven judges" overriding the judgment of medical scientists is bad for America's health.

Such rulings, Resneck wrote, can undermine the expectations of pharmaceutical companies, physicians, and consumers, and can invite challenges to FDA approvals of other drugs, including those for treating cancer, Parkinson's disease, or diabetes.

While the victory for science and reproductive freedom is far from final, it signals where the court might be leaning in the event that the case comes back. Which brings us to five takeaways from the ruling.

First, science and expertise prevailed over ideology. The stay registers a win of the moment for expertise over the anti-scientific and anti-knowledge direction that the right has chosen in recent years.

Second, America's marketplace spoke louder than a minority's sectarian beliefs. Mifepristone has been successful because overwhelming numbers of women have found it to have helped them.

Third, this is an apparent victory for the fundamental principle that federal court jurisdiction is limited. Federal judges lack authority to wade into social issues without having parties before them who have suffered clear and concrete harm. That principle — the jurisprudential doctrine of "standing" — was undermined by the lower courts indulging the plaintiff doctors' speculative claims of injury.

Fourth, in last June's misguided overruling of Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court said that the legality of abortion would be decided state by state. In states like Kansas and Minnesota, where most abortions are legal, the unavailability of mifepristone — or its starkly reduced availability — would have undercut that limited promise.

Finally, it's fair to chalk up, at least for now, what well may signify a victory for voters. As early 20th-century satirist Finley Peter Dunne quipped in the brogue of his alter-ego character, Mr. Dooley: "Th' Supreme Coort follows th' iliction returns." Recent elections have shown abortion to likely be the single most important issue in elections to come.

Although federal judges mustn't merely register public opinion, justices are human and see exactly what the rest of us see. It's a tribute to our democracy that citizens, through the power of the ballot, can affect the direction of justice.

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Tide is turning, rightly, to considering voting rights behind bars

More recent poll shows many Mass. residents back re-enfranchisement

In an April 19 Opinion piece, "Felons are locked up for a reason, and it isn't so they can vote," columnist Jeff Jacoby argues against the re-enfranchisement of those currently incarcerated in Massachusetts. In doing so, he cites outdated national polling and fails to cite a recent UMass Amherst/WCVB poll showing that Massachusetts residents surveyed support restoring voting rights to those serving a prison sentence by 9 percentage points (49 percent to 40 percent). This support extends across men and women, race, income levels, and nearly every category of educational attainment.

Jacoby reminds readers that Massachusetts formerly allowed those incarcerated to vote until a constitutional ballot question rescinded that right in 2000. But that was almost 23 years ago. The public's views have changed. Indeed, Massachusetts residents 18 to 29 years old, many of whom were not alive then, support enfranchisement by an astonishing 71 percent to 20 percent.

With a near majority of Massachusetts residents in favor of ending disenfranchisement, it appears the Bay State is ready to have a serious conversation about our democratic values — whether or not Jacoby agrees.

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Voter disenfranchisement for sake of punishment is poor policy

Jeff Jacoby's column "Felons are locked up for a reason, and it isn't so they can vote" embodies the regressive thinking that ensures that prisons and jails remain institutions of punishment at the expense of rehabilitation. The argument that Jacoby is championing rests on the idea that only the guilty are incarcerated, that certain demographics are not disproportionately subjected to incarceration (even for the same crime), and that allowing incarcerated people to vote is broadly unpopular. Evidence shows that all these assumptions are untrue.

In 2020, a program at Harvard Law School published a report showing that Black and Latinx people are overrepresented in incarceration relative to their share of the state population. They are also more likely than white people to receive harsher sentences. Stripping incarcerated people of voting rights must be framed within the continuum of policies that cause voter disenfranchisement of people of color. Further, more recent Massachusetts-specific polls show that restoring voting rights to those who are serving a prison sentence for a felony conviction is opposed by only 44 percent of people.

Allowing incarcerated people to civically engage contributes to rehabilitation, which benefits everyone in Massachusetts. The idea of denying civic engagement for the sake of punishment belongs in the ash heap of history.

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Debt ceiling showdown is a cynical GOP ploy to scrap aid to millions

Re "Debt ceiling increase proposed: McCarthy ties it to spending cuts" (Page A2, April 18): Is there no depth of galling deceit to which Republican House Speaker Kevin McCarthy won't plunge in his role as chief spokesman for his party? What nerve, claiming to speak for "our children" by threatening to cancel health care and food assistance for millions in return for increasing the debt ceiling, while grossly impugning such basic governmental aid as "wasteful Washington spending."

We've seen this bad-faith ploy before. Republicans, who never object to exploding the deficit with their own tax cuts, pulled the same stunt on President Obama in 2011 and 2013, demanding unconscionable cuts to programs of broad social benefit in return for lifting the debt limit. This so-called crisis is a phony, manufactured problem that arises only when the electorate lamentably hands control of the House to Republicans after a Democrat's first two years in the White House.

Republicans have spent decades trying to privatize and undermine Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid. Their policies consistently favor the wealthiest and most privileged at the expense of the poor and working class. Why then would anyone living from paycheck to paycheck ever vote for them?

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The other disability (the one that gets overlooked): mental health

I saw a message of exclusion in the otherwise excellent oped "Diversity, equity, and inclusion must include people with disabilities" by Jo Ann Simons and Steven P. Rosenthal (Opinion, April 17). This message reads, "But as inclusion has become a national conversation ... people with physical or intellectual disabilities are often forgotten." This statement overlooks people with mental health disabilities.

There's no need to add a discriminatory message to the war that is currently being waged on people with mental illness in the media and throughout society. One can, and should, always use the phrase "physical or mental disability" or, if one has a problem with explicit calls for inclusion of members of this marginalized group, simply "disability."

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Cities and towns wrestle with flaps over flags

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sion that we make — from potholes to flags — is going to make 100 percent of the town happy."

The focus on flags came to the fore last spring, when the Supreme Court issued a closely watched decision, ruling that the City of Boston violated the First Amendment rights of a Christian group by refusing its request to raise a flag outside City Hall in 2017.

Over more than a decade, the city had approved 284 requests from various countries, causes, businesses, and organizations, but denied only one — the request from Camp Constitution to raise a white banner with a red Christian cross in connection with Constitution Day.

The city, however, didn't have a written policy at the time governing flag-flying requests from outside groups, and in a decision written by since-retired Justice Stephen Breyer, the court denied the city's argument that its flag-raising program was a form of government speech. The Christian group's flag was eventually raised above City Hall Plaza in August.

Days later, the city adopted an ordinance requiring a mayoral proclamation or City Council resolution to fly most other flags on one of the flagpoles on City Hall Plaza other than the US, state, and city flags. In it, the city explicitly states that the flagpoles are "not intended to serve as a forum for free expression by the public."

Deanna Barkett FitzGerald, a senior attorney with Ropes & Gray who helped represent the City of Boston before the Supreme Court, said the decision gives cities and towns a "roadmap" to operate flag-raising programs within the bounds of the Constitution. They have to make clear, FitzGerald said, that the flags they're raising are government speech — as in the government speaking for itself — and that the flagpoles are not serving as a public forum for the private speech of others.

"If cities and towns want to speak for themselves on municipal flagpoles, and therefore be able to choose the messages they will or won't endorse, they should make it very clear that they're taking ownership of the message," FitzGerald said.

JOANNE RATHE/GLOBE STAFF/FILE

The Pride flag was raised outside City Hall in 2014. In Boston, an ordinance requires a mayoral proclamation or City Council resolution to fly most flags at City Hall Plaza except US, state, or city banners.

Now officials from Martha's Vineyard to Western Massachusetts are wrestling with those very questions.

In Oak Bluffs, officials have been at odds about whether to allow the Progress Pride and Juneteenth flags to fly on a flagpole in a town park as part of their formal policy, with one lamenting that if they allow too many to fly, the town flagpole would "look like a fishing tournament," the Martha's Vineyard Times reported.

Days after the Supreme Court ruling, officials in Reading chose to do the "safe thing," according to meeting minutes, and not allow flag requests. Next door in Wakefield, Town Councilor Ed Dombroski has argued the town should do the same, even though he said he supports flying certain banners.

"Things like the Progress flag are an easy call to make," said Dombroski. "The concern I have is that when you're calling balls and strikes like this, you're inherently creating the potential for a rather divisive issue."

A bylaw will go before Town Meeting in Williamstown next month that would allow only three flags — the US flag; the Massachusetts state flag, and the Prisoner of War/Missing in Action flag — to fly at Town Hall and other town buildings. The town's Select Board recommended the language.

"We decided to stay in our lane and reserve ourselves to town governance issues," said Andrew Hogeland, who sits on the Select Board and serves as president of the Massachusetts Select Board Association. "It's a matter of how much do you want to be the entity that declares what the values of the municipality are. In our view, we thought our citizens are pretty good at doing that themselves."

Others have embraced broader policies. Belchertown officials left themselves the option to fly other flags if approved by the town's Select Board, as did Chicopee, which embraced language similar to Boston's to fly ceremonial flags that come with a mayoral proclamation or City Council resolution.

Being able to fly certain flags, be it for organ donor awareness or autism awareness month, helps people "feel welcome" in the city, said Chicopee City Councilor Mary Beth Pniak-Costello.

"It's a unifier," she said.

Not always. A high school senior in Stoughton was suspended a half-day in January after she walked out of class in support of three teachers who were warned to stop displaying LGBTQ+ Pride flags in classrooms under a policy prohibiting the display of any "political" items.

Dighton residents in 2021 embraced a bylaw that restricted which flags the town could fly after officials proposed flying the Pride flag. After the Supreme Court ruling, then-attorney general Maura Healey told town officials that part of the bylaw was unconstitutional, in part because it could be interpreted as prohibiting someone from wearing a shirt displaying another flag on town property.

In Fitchburg, the debate has also created inter-branch friction. Mayor Stephen DiNatale decided in December to allow, and appear at, a flag-raising of a so-called "nuclear family" flag, just months after the city raised the Pride flag. The move drew quick condemnation from members of the City Council and LGBTQ advocates, who called it an attempt "to further marginalize people."

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> ANDREW HOGELAND, *Williamstown Select Board member and president of the Massachusetts Select Board Association*

At the time, the mayor alone approved any flag requests. "I don't think I've ever denied anyone," DiNatale said in a phone interview.

Weeks after the "nuclear family" controversy, DiNatale issued an executive order restricting which flags could fly, only for the council to narrowly pass its own proposal giving itself decision-making power over flags.

"It was a failure of leadership on the part of the mayor. But it was also a failure of process," Andy Van Hazinga, the City Council's vice president and the proposal's sponsor, said of the "nuclear family" flag raising. "It's more than a piece of fabric flying on a flagpole. It's a message the city sends. We want to make sure we're using it the right way and using it to good ends."

But the council proposal didn't survive. DiNatale vetoed it — "the first [veto] I've seen," Van Hazinga said. Then the mayor revised his own executive order to give the council the ability to approve some flags by resolution.

"I'm embarrassed to admit it: I'm not sure how it's going to work," DiNatale said. "I just didn't want to fall into this situation again."

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Local efforts to help tenants run into State House roadblocks

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dents of Lewis's building who had long enjoyed below-market rents were forced out by the increases, and other pockets of the city that had been affordable, such as East Boston, are now hotbeds of displacement. Housing court is again filled with renters fighting evictions.

And yet as Boston's supercharged housing market transforms lower-income corners of the city, there are few formal mechanisms in place to keep vulnerable renters in their homes. Policies that have long been on the books in other high-cost cities, such as prohibiting so-called "no cause" evictions or allowing tenants the opportunity to buy their building when it goes up for sale, have gone nowhere in Boston, often because such measures also need approval from the state Legislature. (A recent Globe investigation found that at least 86 percent of Massachusetts legislators own a home, and that more own rental property than are renters themselves.)

Many of those initiatives are divisive, and the real estate industry claims they will ultimately hurt landlords and developers at a time when housing production — a lot of it — is desperately needed to solve the region's supply shortage.

But some argue that, without short-term solutions to help tenants stay afloat, the people who would most benefit from a healthier housing market with more affordable options will be long gone by the time policymakers get around to addressing the imbalance.

"Tenants need help now," said Katie McCann, an organizer with City Life/Vida Urbana, a tenant advocacy group. "We're seeing tenants get displaced at a really concerning pace."

Boston is both a city of renters, with some 65 percent of households not owning their home, as well as one of the more expensive housing markets in the nation. And the cost of living here has soared to new heights over the past two years. Rents in Greater Boston are up about 14 percent since 2020, according to rental website Apartment List, and the region consistently ranks as one of the three priciest major markets to rent an apartment.

Over that same period, pandemic-era renter protections — broad eviction prohibitions and beefed-up rent relief programs — have ended, removing a key safety net that staved off what many feared would be a wave of displacement.

It was temporary, but to advocates the pandemic-era programs proved that the state can act quickly to protect renters when it chooses to. That has revived a spirited campaign for a suite of renter protections.

But enacting those changes takes political will at multiple levels of government. That's because most changes to local housing laws, aside from zoning, require a home rule petition to the Legislature and sign-off by the governor. And that, say Boston housing leaders, can be a big hurdle.

"To put it lightly, that lack of control we have over our housing policy makes things really challenging," said City Councilor Kenzie Bok, who will take over as head of the Boston Housing Authority next month.

Boston housing advocates cite as an example the Jim Brooks Stabilization Act, a home rule petition that came out of Boston in 2018. It would have required landlords to notify the city when they send a tenant an eviction notice and created a more robust system for collecting eviction data. It was one of the more ambitious housing reforms out of Boston in decades, and advocates and local leaders tweaked and revised the petition for three years before sending it on to the Legislature for approval.

PAT GREENHOUSE/GLOBE STAFF

Betty Lewis said she fears she could be evicted from her apartment in Mattapan at any time. She has lived there for more than three decades.

It never even got out of committee on Beacon Hill.

To tenant advocates, it was a major blow.

Renters have little recourse against an eviction after a formal proceeding begins. They can negotiate terms with their landlord in a court-ordered mediation session, but few tenants have legal representation in Housing Court, so reaching an agreement can be challenging. Landlords, on the other hand, complain that Massachusetts' court-supervised eviction process can be costly and drag on for months.

Mayor Michelle Wu's proposal to bring back a version of rent control, which was filed in the Legislature as a home rule petition last month, will bring a fresh test for Boston City Hall's ability to get something done on Beacon Hill. The proposal would also create a database of rental units in Boston and prohibit no-cause evictions, which landlords can file against tenants even if they have not violated the terms of their lease.

Several US cities with comparable rental costs, such as San Francisco and New York, have versions of those policies. But Amir Shahsavari, vice president of landlord group the Small Property Owners Association, said the protections are not the law in Boston for good reason. Property owners in those cities, he said, complain they make it too difficult to evict "bad tenants," and ultimately lead to small landlords selling their properties.

"They may help some tenants, but from our perspective, some of these measures around eviction are draconian, and they're only going to hurt well-meaning property owners," said Shahsavari.

Instead, Shahsavari proposes programs that send money for struggling tenants directly to their landlords.

Still, it's not just city and town level proposals that have fizzled in the Legislature. Bills that would reform tenant law statewide, or create a so-called local option for communities to set their own policies, have repeatedly fallen short as well.

"Right to counsel" bills, for example, which would provide low-income residents with a court-appointed attorney in eviction cases statewide, have gone nowhere, though another version of the proposal has been submitted to the Legislature this year.

Another instance is the Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act, which would obligate property owners to give tenants or their representatives the chance to buy their building before it hits the market. Washington, D.C., requires something similar.

A version of that act made it out of the Legislature in 2021 but was vetoed by then-governor Charlie Baker, who said it would dampen the state's housing market and discourage housing production.

"It was a huge disappointment," said Matt Thall, former executive director of the Fenway Community Development Corporation. "It's something we could've done for tenants that we're still not doing."

But Baker's reasoning said a lot. The real estate industry, which has big political sway in Massachusetts, opposed most tenant protection policies. Broadly, they say, such policies would make it harder to own property in Massachusetts and could deter developers from building here. And in a state with a deep housing shortage, they say, more supply is the best way to bring costs down for everyone.

"The only solution to the housing crisis is to build more housing," said Greg Vasil, CEO of the Greater Boston Real Estate Board. "We can't do that if we're actively making it more difficult for developers to build and for landlords to sustain themselves."

But waiting on a big windfall of housing supply to ease the plight of tenants, advocates say, is impractical. And it leaves people like Lewis, who fears she could be evicted at any time, in the lurch.

"People like me, we deserve better than this," she said.

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GLOOM AND BLOOM

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Johnna Coggin of Boston (top) tried unsuccessfully to get her dog, Casco, to pose in front of a bed of tulips in the Public Garden in Boston on Sunday. And a woman shielded herself from the rain as she walked past the bright pink flowers. Intermittent rain is forecast for Monday. Weather, **D5**.

Website pretends to be state university

Regulators examine what appears to be fraudulent activity

By Hilary Burns
GLOBE STAFF

There's a good reason you have never heard of Massachusetts Central University. It doesn't exist.

Yet a convincing website listing student testimonials and degree offerings is posing as a legitimate online university based in Boston. State officials said they are aware of the fake website and urged students to report run-ins with the scheme.

The professional-looking website has all the hallmarks of a real college. It promises an "outstanding educational experience" that will prepare students for "dynamic careers," with 95 percent placement rates. The website features a career services page, stock images of fictional faculty members, and says it is accredited by nonexistent entities. Legitimate colleges and accreditors can be found on the US Department of Education's website.

A quick Google search also found that the faculty listed on the website appear on another fake college website, Houston University of Science and Technology. Local media reports noted striking similarities between the illegitimate Houston university and the Massachusetts website.

Call and e-mails to contacts listed on the site went unanswered.

George Gollin, a physics professor at the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign who has studied so-called "diploma mills," noticed some red flags while scrolling Massachusetts Central University's website, including grammatical errors.

Gollin said that fake university websites typically exist to profit from the sales of fake diploma credentials. A few foreign LinkedIn profiles display degrees from Massachusetts Central University, for example.

"Customers of diploma mills know exactly what they are getting," he said. "They want to be able to use the fake credentials. They realize the value of an American degree is appealing."

A spokesperson for the Massachu-

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RIDE driver is investigated after errant journey

Passenger says T employee made him late, wouldn't take him home

By John Hilliard
GLOBE STAFF

The MBTA has removed a driver from its RIDE service after a passenger with cerebral palsy said the man turned what should have been a routine trip from Malden to a Rotary Club meeting in Wakefield into a frustrating hours-long ordeal, and repeatedly refused to take him home during the journey.

The driver's behavior was so unusual and troubling that a RIDE dispatcher took the step of advising James Norris, the passenger, to call 911 for help, he said.

"Listen, he is going to be written up," the dispatcher said of the driver, according to Norris. "But if you feel the need to call 911 and talk to the police, you're well within your rights to do so. ... We encourage you to do that if you feel unsafe. Because at this point, there's nothing else we can do."

During a Globe interview over the weekend, Norris, 37, expressed anger over how he was treated by the RIDE driver.

"It's a terrible situation," Norris said about the incident, which occurred the evening of April 12. "It got to the point where he stopped communicating with everybody. He just stayed silent."

FRUSTRATING EXPERIENCE
James Norris, a passenger with cerebral palsy, said a dispatcher advised him to call 911 for help.

And after finally dropping Norris off hours later in Wakefield, the driver canceled Norris's return trip home without telling him, he said.

His case was reported Friday by WCVB-TV.

Norris, who is the vice president of the Malden Rotary Club, uses a power wheelchair for mobility, he said. He is also the executive director of Handi Capable Fitness, a nonprofit he founded to help people living with disabilities stay active and healthy.

The T apologized to Norris for "his troubling experience" and said it has launched an investigation into what occurred during the RIDE trip, according to a statement released to the Globe.

Norris confirmed that he was called by an MBTA official Saturday

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WHALING LOG BOOKS AID CLIMATE STUDY

Scientists analyze historic data to shed light on weather patterns

By Kate Armanini
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Centuries ago, whalers would spend three to five years at sea, traveling across the globe as they hunted whales for meat and blubber. Sailors would meticulously record their ship's positions, the wind force, and the weather conditions on their journeys.

New England researchers are now studying those historic whaling logbooks, using centuries-old weather observations to explore how the climate has evolved.

"The idea that you could use whaling logbooks to unlock secrets about weather hundreds of years ago had not occurred to the ocean scientists that I knew," said Timothy Walker, a history professor at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth and guest investigator at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. "It just seemed to me that this was a treasure trove of documentation that can be really used well for informing climate science."

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JAYNE DOUCETTE/WOODS HOLE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTION

New England researchers are using data from whaling logs to study how weather patterns have evolved.

'It's gradually filling in the void of ignorance that science has about weather in certain parts of the ocean.'

TIMOTHY WALKER, *history professor at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.*

Proposed law would expand city's tree canopy

By Ashley Soebroto
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The Boston City Council moved closer last week to creating a law that would promote the growth of tree canopy to protect neighborhoods that are most vulnerable to the negative effects of summer heat.

An ordinance that was filed in January to regulate the removal of trees on public and private property has been in working sessions to determine specifics such as what situations allow for the removal of trees, replacements for removed trees, and the creation of an advisory committee. An updated version was posted in early March, according to City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo, and after a working session on Thursday a new version of the ordinance was close to completion.

"A handful [of cities] have created their own sort of enhanced measures that go beyond the state in terms of the protection of trees, " said Arroyo, who is a co-sponsor of the ordinance, in a phone interview on Wednesday. "The City of Boston has not done that to date, and so this would be the first tree [ordinance] that we create citywide."

The ordinance, which is also sponsored by Councilors Liz Breadon and Kendra Lara, comes after Mayor Michelle Wu released the city's new Urban Forest Plan in September, and announced a new forestry division in December, both of which aim to expand the city's tree canopy.

Arroyo said the main purpose be-

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ANOTHER'S TREASURE — Religious figures, skis, and furniture sat curbside for the taking outside a home under contract on Washington Street in the Lanesville neighborhood of Gloucester on Saturday. The folding chairs were taken first.

'What we found that makes this a little bit interesting is those that were able to maintain face-to-face connections actually reported less risk.'

REBECCA ROBBINS, *assistant professor of medicine at Harvard and associate scientist at Brigham and Women's division of sleep and circadian disorders*

Virtual contact left seniors feeling anxious, study finds

Brigham-Women's examined tech use during pandemic

By Daniel Kool
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Older adults who frequently used technology to connect with friends, family, and health care providers during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic reported feeling more anxious and depressed than those who sought in-person visits, according to a new study by researchers at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

Among Americans over 65, virtual interactions — e-mail, phone, and video calls — were associated with increased mental health concerns, according to the study, which analyzed national survey data and was released earlier this month.

"What we found that makes this a little bit interesting is those that were able to maintain face-to-face connections actually reported less risk," said Rebecca Robbins, assistant professor of medicine at Harvard and associate scientist at Brigham and Women's division of sleep and circadian disorders.

Robbins, the study's lead author, said that while communications technology was heralded as a "panacea" for loneliness during the pandemic, it failed to meet the needs of some older adults unfamiliar with digital platforms.

Adjusting for age, those who reported using e-mail and video calls to correspond with family and friends were roughly a quarter more likely to report increased feelings of anxiety and depression, as were those who used e-mail, phone calls, and video calls to speak with a health care provider, the study found.

Alternatively, in-person visits with family and friends were associated with fewer feelings of depression, and face-to-face meetings with providers were associated with reduced feelings of loneliness.

"Beyond a reasonable shadow of a doubt, we can be confident that there is a relationship there," Robbins said.

Robbins and other researchers analyzed data from the National Health and Aging Trends Study, an annual home survey of Medicare beneficiaries. The study included a supplemental COVID-19 survey between June and October 2020, from which her team pulled data.

About 20 percent of those surveyed reported feeling depression, and 25 percent reported feeling anxious about the pandemic, according to the study.

About a quarter of respondents reported e-mailing with their health care provider, while nearly 70 percent e-mailed with family and friends. Meanwhile, just under a quarter of respondents made video calls with their provider, compared to about 44 percent who video-called with loved ones. Researchers said 70 percent reported phone calls with their provider, while 97 percent reported phone calls with family and friends.

According to the study, less than 65 percent reported seeing their provider in-person, compared to nearly 78 percent who reported in-person visits with family and friends. Those over 85 were less likely to use digital methods of communication than those 65 to 69, researchers said.

Robbins said additional research is needed to determine the cause of the relationships found in the study.

"Is it that the technology isn't tailored to the needs of older adults?" she said. "Or was it that those that were more prone to mental health concerns were actively seeking electronic tools that could allow them to remain isolated?"

Robbins said the study highlights a growing need to ensure that technology is designed with older adults in mind, and that they have a voice in the design process. That need extends beyond just preparing for the next pandemic.

If technology is creating additional stress among older adults, Robbins said, there is "an urgent need" for health care providers to meet patients where they are in regard to tech-literacy — especially those with mobility issues, who may already rely more heavily on virtual correspondence.

In addition to speaking with family, Robbins noted, visits with health care providers can be valuable social opportunities for retired individuals, who may have fewer obligations in their day.

"They're someone who has a real, vested interest in their health and well-being, which is top of mind for older adults," she said. "Maybe that in-person visit actually really transcends just that visit."

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Tests reveal avian flu outbreak in Swansea

By Kate Armanini
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Twenty-four swans and one goose have died after an avian flu outbreak in Swansea, officials said.

The goose and six of the swans were sent for testing and all came back positive for the highly pathogenic avian influenza, also known as bird flu, town officials said.

No humans have been infected, officials said.

"At this time, there have been no reports of avian flu detected in humans or domestic livestock in Swansea or Bristol County," officials said.

In March, the town began monitoring a cluster of bird deaths that started with nine swans, officials said. Officials notified the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife and conducted third-party testing at three different labs.

'We urge community members to exercise extreme caution and not interact with any wild birds'

CHRISTOPHER R. CARREIRO, *chairman of Swansea's board of selectmen*

Avian flu can spread from birds to humans through saliva, nasal secretion, and feces, officials said. While cases are rare in humans, the virus is highly contagious and often fatal among birds. It's most common among shorebirds and waterfowl, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Residents are advised to avoid any unnecessary contact with birds, officials said.

"We would like to strongly reiterate that at this time we have had no reports of avian flu detected in any residents or their domestic livestock. However, we urge community members to exercise extreme caution and not interact with any wild birds," said Christopher R. Carreiro, the chairman of the town's board of selectmen.

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This day in history

Today is Monday, April 24, the 114th day of 2023. There are 251 days left in the year.

Birthdays: Actor Shirley MacLaine is 89. Actor-singer-director Barbra Streisand is 81. Former Chicago mayor Richard M. Daley is 81. Country singer Richard Sterban (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 80. Rock musician Doug Clifford of Creedence Clearwater Revival is 78. R&B singer Ann Peebles is 76. Former Irish taoiseach Enda Kenny is 72. Actor-playwright Eric Bogosian is 70. Actor Michael O'Keefe is 68. Actor-comedian Cedric the Entertainer is 59. Actor Djimon Hounsou is 59. Actor Stacy Haiduk is 55. Rock musician Aaron Comess (Spin Doctors) is 55. Actor Aidan Gillen is 55. Actor Melinda Clarke is 54. Actor Rory McCann is 54. Latin pop singer Alejandro Fernandez is 52. Country-rock musician Brad Morgan (Drive-By Truckers) is 52. Rock musician Brian Marshall (Creed; Alter Bridge) . Singer Kelly Clarkson is 41.

►In 1877, federal troops were ordered out of New Orleans, ending the North's post-Civil War rule in the South.

►In 1915, in what's considered the start of the Armenian genocide, the Ottoman Empire began rounding up Armenian political and cultural leaders in Constantinople.

►In 1960, rioting erupted in Biloxi, Miss., after Black protesters staging a "wade-in" at a whites-only beach were attacked.

►In 1961, in the wake of the failed Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba, the White House issued a statement saying that President Kennedy "bears sole responsibility for the events of the past few days."

►In 1962, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology achieved the first satellite relay of a television signal, between Camp Parks, Calif., and Westford.

►In 1967, Soviet cosmonaut Vladimir Komarov was killed when his Soyuz 1 spacecraft smashed into the Earth after his parachutes failed to deploy properly during re-entry; he was the first human spaceflight fatality.

►In 1980, the United States launched an unsuccessful attempt to free the American hostages in Iran, a mission that resulted in the deaths of eight US servicemen.

►In 1990, the space shuttle Discovery blasted off from Cape Canaveral, Fla., carrying the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope.

►In 1995, the final bomb linked to the Unabomber exploded inside the Sacramento offices of a lobbying group for the wood products industry, killing chief lobbyist Gilbert B. Murray. (Theodore Kaczynski was later sentenced to four lifetimes in prison for a series of bombings that killed three people and injured 29 others.)

►In 2005, Pope Benedict XVI formally began his stewardship of the Roman Catholic Church; the former Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger said in his installation homily that as pontiff he would listen to the will of God in governing the world's 1.1 billion Catholics.

►In 2013, in Bangladesh, a shoddily constructed eight-story commercial building housing garment factories collapsed, killing more than 1,100 people. A magnitude-5.7 earthquake near Jalalabad, Afghanistan killed more than 30 people and injured more than 100. The 11th-century minaret of a famed mosque in Aleppo, Syria, collapsed as rebels and government troops clashed in the streets around it, depriving the city of one of its most important landmarks. The Umayyad Mosque was a UNESCO world heritage site and the centerpiece of Aleppo's walled Old City.

►In 2018, former police officer Joseph DeAngelo was arrested at his home near Sacramento, Calif., after DNA linked him to crimes attributed to the so-called Golden State Killer; authorities believed he committed 13 murders and more than 50 rapes in the 1970s and 1980s. (DeAngelo is awaiting trial.) cientists announced that they had used infrared spectroscopy data from the Gemini North telescope to determine that hydrogen sulfide is present in the clouds of Uranus.

►In 2019, avowed racist John William King was executed in Texas for the 1998 slaying of James Byrd Jr., who was chained to the back of a truck and dragged along a road outside Jasper, Texas; prosecutors said Byrd was targeted because he was Black.

►In 2020, the Food and Drug Administration issued an alert about the dangers of using a malaria drug that President Trump had repeatedly promoted for coronavirus patients. The parent company of Lysol and another disinfectant warned that its products should not be used as an internal treatment for the coronavirus, a day after Trump wondered aloud about that prospect during a White House briefing.

►Last year, French President Emmanuel Macron comfortably won reelection to a second term. The victory for the 44-year-old centrist spared France and Europe from the seismic upheaval of a shift of power to firebrand populist, far-right challenger Marine Le Pen. US Secretary of State Antony Blinken and US Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin met with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky in the highest-level visit to the war-torn country's capital by an American delegation since the start of Russia's invasion. The death toll from accidents at two coal mines in southern Poland increased to nine after four miners were brought to the surface and pronounced dead.

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SUNDAY MIDDAY 2950
Payoffs *(based on a $1 bet)*
EXACT ORDER
All 4 digits $4,547
First or last 3 $637
Any 2 digits $55
Any 1 digit $5
ANY ORDER
All 4 digits $189
First 3 $106
Last 3 $106

SUNDAY NIGHT 3819
Payoffs *(based on a $1 bet)*
EXACT ORDER
All 4 digits $4,427
First or last 3 $620
Any 2 digits $53
Any 1 digit $5
ANY ORDER
All 4 digits $184
First 3 $103
Last 3 $103

LUCKY FOR LIFE
April 23 **16-21-31-33-36 LB 12**
Jackpot: $1,000 a day for life

MASS CASH
April 23 **04-11-15-26-34**
Jackpot: $100,000; no winners

MEGABUCKS
April 23 **14-21-23-26-38-40**
Jackpot: $5.3 million; winners

PREVIOUS DRAWINGS

	Midday	Night
Saturday	4733	1822
Friday	9077	5167
Thursday	3885	9456
Wednesday	0147	3775
Tuesday	4146	2532

WEEKEND NUMBERS AROUND NEW ENGLAND
Sun. Maine, N.H., Vermont
Day: 3-digit **512** 4-digit **9548**
Eve: 3-digit **384** 4-digit **7935**
Rhode Island
Sunday **1681**
Saturday's Powerball
17-36-47-63-68
Powerball **25**
Jackpot: $28 million; winners

State examines website representing nonexistent university

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setts Department of Higher Education said they were made aware of this "fraudulent website" in 2021 and sent the entity a cease-and-desist order. The site was taken down. The website is now back and started posting on an affiliated Facebook page in recent months.

"We are disappointed that the website has resurfaced, and we will be following up with the entity," the spokesperson said. "Meanwhile, we have notified the University of Massachusetts, as well as the attorney general's office. Students that may have been misled by the website should contact our office by filing a complaint or contacting the attorney general's Consumer Hotline."

State Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell's office also said it is aware of the entity and confirmed it's one they have taken action against in the past.

"This is a matter AG Campbell and her office take seriously and we are reviewing what actions we may take," said a spokesperson for the office.

These types of schemes and bad-acting for-profit colleges tend to target first-generation and veteran students, said Della Justice, vice president for legal affairs at Veterans Education Success, a nonprofit that advocates for veteran students using the GI Bill and other federal educational benefits.

State regulators said they were learned of the "fraudulent website" in 2021 and sent the entity a cease-and-desist order.

Massachusetts Central University, which claims to have more than 10,000 registered students and 1,200 faculty members, says on its website that veterans can transfer military service for credits toward a degree.

"This does appear to be completely fake with nothing behind it [and] that is very dangerous," Justice said. "They are preying on the trust that veterans have [for] the military."

Justice said she has seen similar types of scams that ask veterans to provide contact information and pay a registration fee. The Better Business Bureau in 2016 warned consumers about diploma mills and offered tips for recognizing the schemes.

"When you see that, it is very concerning and someone could be scammed out of actual money," Justice said.

"It also has a chilling effect," she said. "[If] they realize how deceptive it is, it could discourage them from searching for an actual education. If they do get entangled with a completely fake education selling fake credentials, that's not good for the student and could lead to problems down the line."

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Two die in separate shootings; police say they may be related

By Isabela Goncalves De Brito Da Rocha and Nick Stoico
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A man was killed in a Hyde Park shooting Saturday night, officials said, and the fatal shooting of another man might be connected.

Around 9:37 p.m., officers responded to a report of a shooting at 36 Dedham St., where they discovered a man inside a car suffering from a gunshot wound, according to a statement by Boston police. The man was pronounced dead at the scene, the statement said.

While still on scene, officers were told another man had walked into Milton Hospital suffering from a gunshot wound, the statement said. He was pronounced dead at the hospital, said James Borghesani, a spokesperson for the Suffolk district attorney's office, in a phone interview Sunday morning.

Preliminary information indicates the second man's death is likely related to the Hyde Park killing, according to the police statement, but officials did not explain how they might be connected.

Both men were in their 20s, according to Borghesani.

No other information was available, including an identification of the victims, and no arrests have been made, Borghesani said.

Neighbors along Dedham Street, a quiet residential street that stretches about a quarter-mile before coming to a dead end near Stony Brook Reservation, said they were startled by the sudden gunfire late Saturday night.

Annmarie Baggs and her husband, Carl, said they heard several gunshots — "at least six or seven."

"I thought it was somebody banging on my window, that's how loud they were," Carl Baggs said.

Annmarie Baggs said she looked outside to see a car slowly rolling down Dedham Street before striking the curb and coming to a stop.

"The [car's] lights were on, but nobody got out," she said.

Baggs said her adult son saw a white car take off in the opposite direction toward Reservation Road shortly after the gunshots rang out.

Police arrived moments later, Baggs said, and she watched as an officer approached the vehicle with a gun drawn. Once backup arrived, the officers moved closer and opened the vehicle's door, revealing the victim inside.

Baggs said she and her husband watched as investigators searched the woods across the street with police dogs and roped off a section of the road with police tape. Police remained at the scene into the early morning hours, she said.

She said they've lived in their Dedham Street home for about two-and-a-half years after purchasing it from her mother, who owned it for decades. The area is usually peaceful, she said.

"You never really think about it because it has always been this really quiet street," she said. "No one ever comes down here, but something bad happened last night."

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Whaling logs used in weather study

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Since 2018, Walker and Caroline Ummenhofer, an associate scientist at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, have been compiling and analyzing whaling logs to track historic weather and wind patterns.

"The project came out of the realization that there are all these extraordinary records sitting unused," Walker said. "With the data that we can collect from these whaling records, we get a snapshot of how early industrialization begins to impact the climate of the planet."

The whaling industry reached its peak in New England and on Long Island from the 1840s to 1861, with more than 700 ships and 20,000 crew members, Walker said. The industry declined as coal and other fuels gradually replaced whale oil during the Industrial Revolution — the last whaling voyage from New Bedford departed in 1927.

The logbooks, handwritten records on yellowed paper, are housed mainly in the New Bedford Whaling Museum, which has the largest collection (about 2,500 logbooks) of whaling records and journals in the world, Walker said.

Each book tells a story, Walker said. Scattered across the pages are whale stamps, each signifying a catch. And the writers often go beyond basic observations to detail their harrowing journeys.

"Every logbook keeper is kind of quirky and has their own style," Walker said. "Some of them are more loquacious and more chatty than others."

Most logs include the date and time, longitude and latitude, nearby landmarks, wind direction and force, the sea conditions, weather, and ocean currents. After the researchers put in the information by hand, it's sent to Ummenhofer, who uses the data to plot and analyze weather patterns on a map.

"In many of the remote ocean areas, it's sometimes even hard to assess what [was] the status quo," Ummenhofer said. "So, what is our baseline? How are things changing? And that is how these records can be particularly useful, because they give us this long arc of what's shifted."

> 'I think it will keep us busy for the next decade for sure.'
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> CAROLINE UMMENHOFER, *associate scientist at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.*

For example, scientists have documented a marked southward shift in the westerly winds in the past 60 years, a product of climate change that has left the southern regions of Africa and Australia with significantly less precipitation, Ummenhofer said.

"But what we cannot tell is how far back this shift goes. Where were the winds 200, 250 years ago?" she said. "And that is something we can actually get from the whaling data, so that has been quite exciting."

Unlike other vessels, whaling ships would deviate from regular ocean routes to follow whales. That makes the data particularly valuable, Walker said.

"It's gradually filling in the void of ignorance that science has about weather in certain parts of the ocean," he said.

A lack of standardized observation methods have posed a challenge, Ummenhofer said. Wind strength, for example, is based on descriptive terms, so researchers are relying on the Beaufort Wind Scale, which translates observations to quantitative wind speeds. A "light breeze" means that winds are traveling 4 to 7 miles per hour. A "gale" would mean wind between 39 and 46 miles per hour.

So far, researchers have pored through approximately 60,000 daily weather entries, Ummenhofer said. The team has gone through about 100 logbooks of the approximately 4,500 in New England.

The project was slowed when the pandemic temporarily shuttered the doors of the New Bedford Whaling Museum and other libraries, and remains in its early stages. But Ummenhofer and Walker hope to eventually expand their research, exploring whaling logbooks from beyond the United States.

"I think it will keep us busy for the next decade for sure," Ummenhofer said. "The more data we have, the more there is to compare for our understanding of climate variability."

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Public Notice

Subject: Public Input Process for Proposed Amendment to the Children's Autism Spectrum Disorder Waiver

Agency: Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS)

EOHHS is proposing to amend the Children's Autism Spectrum Disorder Waiver. The proposed amendment increases the upper age limit for waiver eligibility by one year such that participants may remain eligible through age nine (i.e., up to, but not including, the participant's 10th birthday). It would also add a telehealth delivery option for a set of waiver services and make some additional minor updates.

Please note we have submitted a request to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) in the form of an amendment to increase waiver slots by 225 and are operating under the assumption that CMS will approve these additional slots by the effective date of this proposed amendment. The materials on the website below incorporate those additional slots.

EOHHS seeks public input on the proposed amendment application before submission to CMS for approval. Additional details, including a summary of proposed changes and the proposed amendment application, is on the MassHealth website at:
https://www.mass.gov/info-details/home-and-community-based-services-waiver-renewal-and-amendment-applications-public

To request a hard copy of the proposed amendment application or to submit comments on the proposed amendment, please write to:

Email: HCBSWaivers@Mass.gov

Please state "Children's Autism Spectrum DisorderAmendment Comments" in the subject line.

Mail: HCBS Waiver Unit, Executive Office of Health and Human Services, RE: Children's Autism Spectrum Disorder WaiverAmendment Comments, 1 Ashburton Place, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02108

We will also receive oral comments at a public listening session to be held remotely on:
May 8, 2023, at 2:30 p.m.

You may join the listening session by video conference from your computer or smart phone, or by phone.

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Comments will be accepted through May 25, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

(SEAL)
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
22 SM 003897
ORDER OF NOTICE

To: Mary Clark

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq):

Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Billerica, numbered 12 Priscilla Lane, given by Norman R. Clark, Mary Clark to Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, a subsidiary of Indy Mac Bank, F.S.B., dated May 14, 2007, and recorded in the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 21247, Page 28, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before January 30, 2023, or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on December 19, 2022.
Attest: Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
22847

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CITY OF BOSTON
TREE REMOVAL HEARING
Vicinity of 41 Berkeley Street in the South End

In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 87, the City of Boston will hold a public hearing on the request to remove two oak trees measuring 2.5 inches dbh and 17 inches dbh at 41 Berkeley Street; and two Linden trees measuring 2.5 inches dbh and 16 inches dbh on Appleton Street in the South End. The hearing will be held remotely at 10:00am on Thursday, May 4, 2023 via ZOOM:

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Webinar ID: 840 9721 0982

The trees identified above have been posted for public inspection. Any objections to their removal must be submitted in writing prior to or during the hearing to the Tree Warden, Boston Parks and Recreation Department, 1010 Mass. Ave., Boston, MA 02118, parks@boston.gov.

AT&T Mobility, LLC is proposing to modify two existing wireless telecommunications facilities in Boston, MA. Project 6123002894, collocate antennas at varying heights not to exceed a top height of 47ft above ground level (agl) on the 36.9ft building (47ft to top of FRP enclosures) at 20 McKenna Terr. Project 6123002895, collocate antennas at a center height of 108ft agl on the 202ft smokestack at 27-43 Wormwood Street. Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 6123002894 and 6123002895- MAB EBI Consulting, 21 B St, Burlington, MA 01803, or at (617) 909-9035.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by John T. Taylor, Vivian W. Taylor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Financial Services, Inc., dated August 22, 2003 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 32589, Page 270, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Mortgage Financial Services, Inc., its successors and assigns to Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, recorded on November 12, 2019, in Book No. 62043, at Page 250

Community Loan Servicing, LLC FKA Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust, recorded on June 14, 2022, in Book No. 67797, at Page 185

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 PM on May 22, 2023, on the mortgaged premises located at 16-18 Harlem Street, Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:
A certain Parcel of land with all the buildings and structures now or hereafter standing or placed thereon, situated in that part of Boston formerly Dorchester in the county of suffolk and Commonwealth of Massachusetts being the Lot marked "F" on a plan made by C.H. Wood Company, Surveyors, dated October 22, 1900, recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, Book 2771, page 15. Containing according to said plan, 5177 square feet of land.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 8127, Page 419.

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Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

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ORDER OF NOTICE

To:Jason Moore

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq):

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing,

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Boston (Dorchester), numbered 274 1/2 Norfolk Street, given by Jason Moore to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Intercontinental Capital Group, Inc., dated October 11, 2019, and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 61908, Page 90, and now held by plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

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SMOOTH RIDE — A sculler passed by the John W. Weeks Footbridge spanning the Charles River connecting Harvard University campuses on both sides of the river.

Proposed ordinance aims to improve city's tree canopy

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hind the ordinance is to improve urban tree canopy for communities that are disproportionately affected by lack of it.

"When we talk about what trees do, how they purify the air, how they deal with toxins, and all those different things, we want to make sure that we're doing our part," Arroyo said. "It's important that moving forward, we have something on paper where Boston ... [is] able to offer canopy, because they have such an impact on the long-term health of the city and its residents."

Boston's tree canopy has remained relatively stable at only 27 percent of all city land area from 2014 to 2019, according to a city assessment released in 2020.

In a city report the following year, officials noted that leafier neighborhoods had significantly lower temperatures in the summer than more densely populated areas with fewer trees. These neighborhoods, known as heat islands, were concentrated in lower-income neighborhoods with large populations of marginalized communities.

Neighborhoods such as Roxbury and Chinatown that had 7 percent less tree cover compared to Boston's citywide median could reach up to 106 degrees during the day, according to the report.

National nonprofit tree conservation group American Forests ranked Boston in 2021 as second, among large cities across the country, in the greatest disparity between the hottest neighborhood and the citywide average, according to a Globe article.

DAVID L RYAN/GLOBE STAFF/FILE

A view of colorful trees in November over the Granary Burying Ground in Boston.

"What we know is that trees make cities more climate-resilient, improve health outcomes, and that they haven't been equitably distributed," said Chris David, vice president for data science at American Forests, in the article. "They should be considered as important as any infrastructure, and the federal government should be helping cities pay for them."

Arroyo said the ordinance will likely be divided into two, with the first ordinance regarding public property to be presented to the City Council by the end of April or in May. Regulations governing the removal of trees on private property will take more discussion, he said, and will be included in the second ordinance, which would likely involve requiring a permit to cut down a tree.

"Everybody agrees that those trees [on private property] need to be protected, but there's nothing currently that we have on the books that protects them," Arroyo said. "It's a new thing for Boston, and it requires ... working out the details on how to make a private tree protection ordinance that is actually enforceable and reasonable to address."

David Meshoulam, executive director and co-founder of tree advocacy group Speak for the Trees, said he worries that advocates and community members aren't being included in the process of finalizing the ordinance.

Although he has provided feedback on the ordinance to city councilors and officials, he said, he has not heard back from them.

"I'm right now trying to figure out how we can get our voices included in the process, which has been the most frustrating point," Meshoulam said.

Meshoulam said it's important that the ordinance protects the city's larger and older trees because "we can't just replace large trees with a bunch of small trees" as it can take decades for a tree to reach maturity.

He and other advocates are also concerned about whether the ordinance will enforce any consequences for cutting down a tree without a permit, he said.

"It's just going to end up being a slap on the wrist as opposed to something that's actually going to protect trees," Meshoulam said. "We don't want business as usual where developers can pay their way out of this."

According to the March version of the ordinance, situations that would allow the removal of any tree on public property would include "hardship to a property owner, economic development, facilitating the development of affordable housing, pedestrian access enhancement, transportation improvement, or public project development."

That version of the ordinance also grants Boston's tree warden, who is responsible for city trees, to hold hearings for tree removals on public property, review projects, and make recommendations on projects involving the cutting down of trees on public property. It would require a replacement tree to be planted at or near the spot where the removed tree had been, and that it be cared for through watering, fertilizing, and pruning for at least two years.

One of the goals of the new ordinance, Arroyo said, is to increase the number of trees in the city for future generations and ensure that "ultimately we have more trees."

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RIDE driver is investigated after passenger recounts his ordeal

▶THE RIDE
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who apologized for what happened. The call was placed less than an hour after the Globe contacted the agency for comment.

An MBTA spokesman said the agency tried reaching Norris Thursday and left him a voice message.

The agency said in its statement that the investigation will include interviews with the driver and the RIDE dispatcher, "and the MBTA will inform the customer of the investigation's findings."

The T did not respond to questions over the weekend, including about the driver's identity and how long he had been driving for the RIDE.

Norris's ordeal began the afternoon of April 12, when he had scheduled a RIDE van for 5 p.m. to take him from his Malden home to a regional Rotary Club meeting at a Sheraton hotel in Wakefield, he said.

He gave himself enough time to make it to the meeting, he said. The trip normally takes about 20 minutes, and he said he was supposed to be at the hotel by 6 p.m.

But the RIDE van didn't show up until 6:45 p.m., Norris said.

Another passenger already in the van was headed to Lynn, Norris said. Norris said he asked the driver if they were going straight to Wakefield, and the driver told him they were.

A few minutes after leaving Norris's home, the driver changed course, and announced he had to go to Lynn with no explanation, according to Norris.

By the time they were underway to Wakefield after dropping off the other passenger in Lynn, it was 7:30 p.m., he said.

It was so late, Norris decided it wasn't worth making the trip and asked the driver to bring him home to Malden.

Norris said he has taken the RIDE for more than 10 years, and knew such requests were routine. But the driver refused, and said "that's not the protocol," Norris recalled.

'Unfortunately... there's a few bad apples who can really ruin it for everybody.'

JAMES NORRIS, *who says a RIDE driver refused to take him home and canceled his return trip*

Norris called the RIDE's dispatch and got in touch with a dispatcher after waiting on hold for 25 minutes. He turned on the speakerphone so the woman could speak to the driver.

The dispatcher ordered the driver twice to drive back to Malden, Norris said. Both times, the driver refused.

Over speakerphone, the dispatcher then advised Norris to call 911. But they were just a few minutes away from the Wakefield hotel, where the van finally arrived shortly before 8 p.m.

By this point, Norris had missed his Rotary meeting, and had only a few minutes before his scheduled return trip to Malden was due to arrive.

After waiting for an hour, Norris called RIDE again to ask when he would be picked up. That's when Norris learned that the driver who had refused to take him back home had radioed dispatch and canceled the return trip, Norris said.

"I would hope there was no underlying motive there," Norris said in the interview. "I choose to give him the benefit of the doubt."

He booked an Uber and finally arrived home around 10 p.m., he said.

Norris had words of praise for many of the RIDE's drivers, who work hard to serve their passengers, he said. But the RIDE service is beset by administrative issues, he said. Vehicles are frequently late and communication failures are common.

"There are many RIDE drivers who do their jobs phenomenally, and who truly love what they do," Norris said. "But unfortunately... there's a few bad apples who can really ruin it for everybody."

Bill Henning, the executive director for the Boston Center for Independent Living, said the incident described by Norris should be closely examined by MBTA officials.

"This was, potentially, a real dangerous situation," Henning said.

Henning said the MBTA's new general manager, Phillip Eng, must treat the RIDE service as an important part of the MBTA. It is facing issues like other parts of the T, including a shortage of drivers, he said.

"Many people are experiencing waits that make what folks are enduring on the Orange, Blue, and Red lines look brief," Henning said.

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LivingArts

A new picture book explores the creators behind the most beloved ducklings in Boston

By Betsy Groban
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

It was during author Angela Burke Kunkel's years at Simmons University that she first encountered the Boston Public Garden's famed Make Way for Ducklings sculpture.

"I don't remember reading the book as a child, but I nannied for a toddler, and I loved taking her to the duckling sculptures in the Public Garden," explained Kunkel, who is known for her books "Digging for Words: José Alberto Gutiérrez and the Library He Built" and "Penguin Journey."

"Of course, that led me back to the book," she said, "which I enjoyed reading to my own kids years later."

The book in question was Robert McCloskey's Caldecott Medal-winning 1941 picture book, "Make Way for Ducklings." The story follows Mrs. Mallard and her eight ducklings (memorably and alphabetically named Jack, Kack, Lack, Mack, Nack, Ouack, Pack, and Quack) searching for a suitable home. Boston sculptor Nancy Schön later created the ducklings in bronze so they could live forever in the Public Garden, as they do in the book.

Kunkel's new picture book, "Make Way: The Story of Robert McCloskey, Nancy Schön, and Some Very Famous Ducklings," debuted earlier this month and is a dual biography of the two artists whose lives intertwined in an extraordinary way. Illustrated by Claire Keane, the book shows McCloskey and Schön's journeys as they worked closely and respectfully on the iconic duckling sculptures that have delighted children (and adults) since they took up residence in Boston with great fanfare in 1987. The Globe spoke to Kunkel from her home in Vermont, where she lives with her family, a dog, a guinea pig, and a bearded dragon.

Q. Why did you start the book initially, with McCloskey and Schön's early years and development as artists?

MEI LIN BARRAL

Vermont-based children's author Angela Burke Kunkel's "Make Way: The Story of Robert McCloskey, Nancy Schön, and Some Very Famous Ducklings" debuted earlier this month.

A. In my research, I was impressed with the determination and meticulous processes that both artists showed in their artistic endeavors, starting when they were children. One of the reasons I love picture book biographies for kids is that they love to learn about how famous people begin, and then continue on their creative paths. The lives of real people can be inspirational to kids and affect their viewpoint on their abilities throughout their lives.

Q. McCloskey died in 2003, but could you connect with Schön as you were writing "Make Way"?

A. I wrote the book during the pandemic so we didn't get together in person, but I had several wonderful conversations with her. As I write in the book, Schön learned her strong work ethic working in her father's Newton greenhouse as a child. She was always mechanically minded, interested in putting things together or taking them apart, and working with her hands. She drew a parallel between her work in her father's greenhouse and her interest in sculpture.

Schön believes that childhood experiences can carry over and shape the rest of children's lives. She emphasized that life as an artist requires persistence and hard work in the face of inevitable adversity and rejection. Schön is also passionate about the importance of public art.

Q. "Make Way for Ducklings" and the sculptures of the ducklings are very well known, but their creators somewhat less so. Did you learn anything surprising about McCloskey and Schön when you did your research for this parallel biography?

A. McCloskey and Schön developed a deep and lasting friendship working together on the ducklings sculptures. She went on to create sculptures based on several of his other books, including the bear from "Blueberries for Sal" and the boy and the dog from "Lentil."

Q. How did you connect with Claire Keane, the book's illustrator?

A. I suggested her to my editor because I had seen and admired her previous work, including the illustrations for "Love Is," a picture book by Diane Adams that happens to include illustrations of ducks. I love her fun and beautifully detailed artwork for "Make Way." It represents the essence of McCloskey and brings a wonderful visual sense to my words.

Q. Is it true that you live on a lake filled with mallard ducks?

A. I live near Lake Champlain, where it intersects with Otter Creek, so my life is full of Canadian geese, great blue herons, and, yes, plenty of mallards.

Angela Burke Kunkel will be at Wellesley Books on Tuesday at 10 a.m. and at Beacon Hill Books & Café on Wednesday at 4 p.m.

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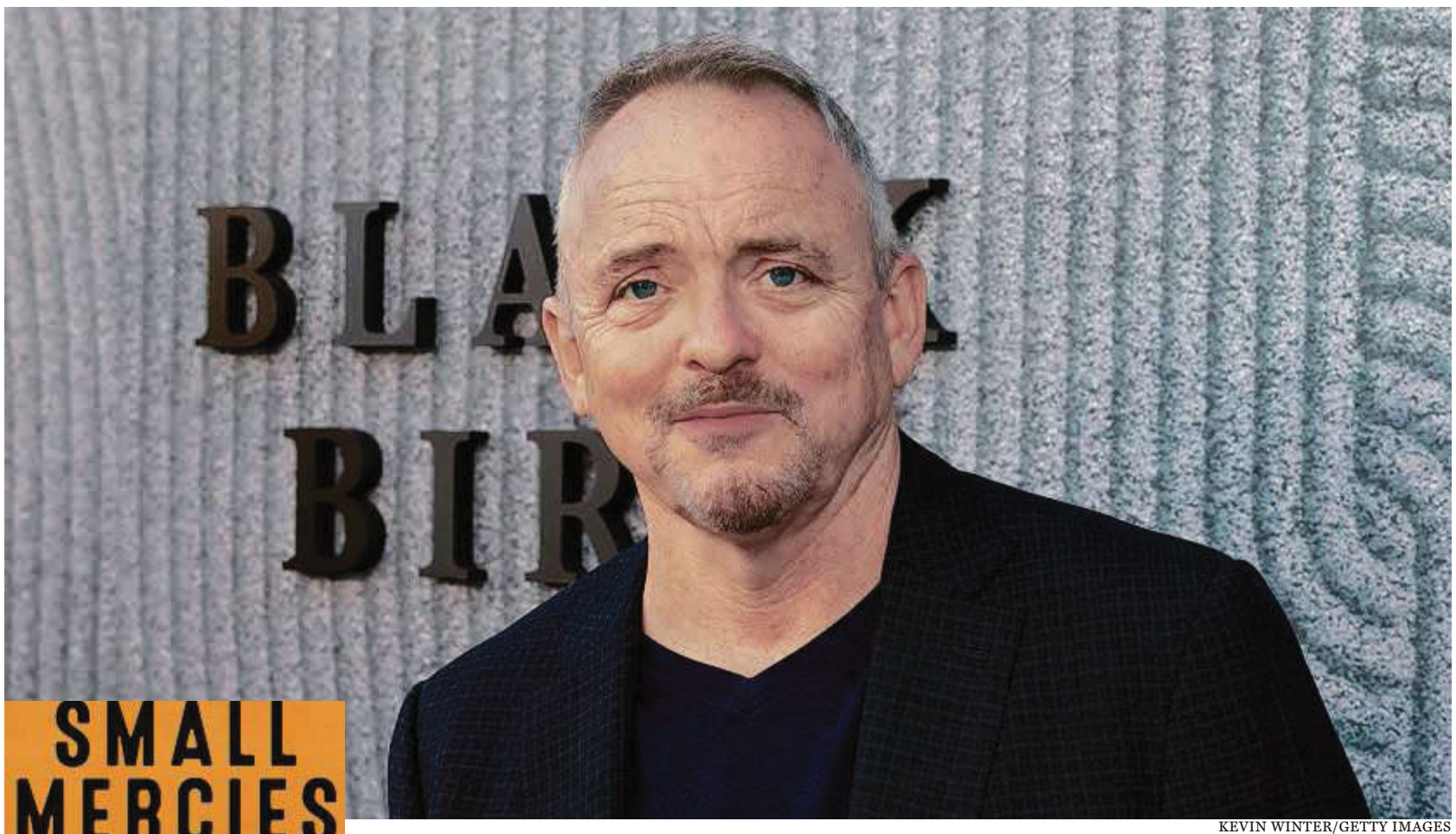

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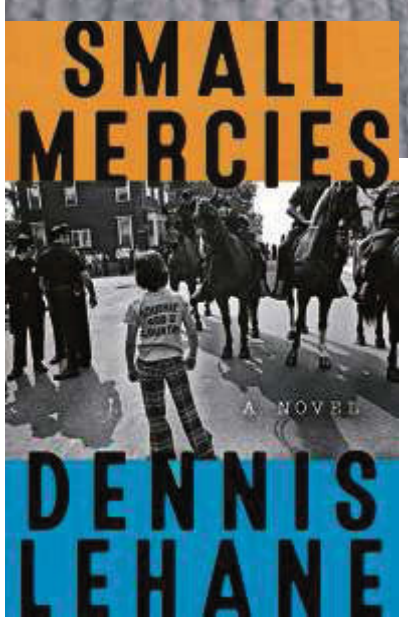

With 'Small Mercies,' Dennis Lehane is telling the Boston story he's always wanted to tell

By Brittany Bowker
GLOBE STAFF

The story of Boston is one of busing.

That's a conversation acclaimed author Dennis Lehane remembers having with actor Ben Affleck on the set of "Gone Baby Gone" back in 2007. Shot in Boston, and based on Lehane's 1998 novel of the same name, the film was Affleck's first foray into directing. (Affleck runs a relaxed movie set, Lehane said, "and there's no set I'd rather be on.")

Lehane, a Dorchester native, has a knack for writing best-selling thrillers that get noticed by Hollywood bigwigs. "Shutter Island" directed by Martin Scorsese and "Mystic River" from Clint Eastwood are among Lehane's popular book-to-big screen blockbusters, in addition to Affleck's "Gone Baby Gone," all three of them shot at least partly in Boston.

The author's latest novel, "Small Mercies," out Tuesday, takes place in South Boston in 1974 when the city was making national headlines for protesting the court-ordered desegregation of public schools. The novel's central character, Mary Pat, lives in the Southie projects with her teenage daughter Jules, and is among the residents to protest the busing of Black children into the neighborhood's schools and of Southie kids into the almost all-Black schools of Roxbury and Mattapan. Jules disappears the same night a Black man is found dead at a T station, and the novel follows Mary Pat on a desperate search for her daughter.

"I knew of women growing up who no man would dare [mess] with, and most of these women came out of the projects of either Dorchester or Southie," Lehane said of the inspiration behind Mary Pat's character. "I thought, What would happen if one of those women had a child go missing?"

Lehane was producing the Apple TV series "Black Bird" in New Orleans last year when he got the idea for his next novel. From there, the writing came easy.

"If you're obsessing over one thing, you need a vacation somewhere else," Lehane said. "For whatever reason, this was my vacation."

Lehane called the process of writing "Small Mercies" cathartic. He said it's the kind of Boston story he's always wanted to tell.

"I was very confounded to be a 9 year old in the midst of all of this," Lehane said. "I finally needed to put a lot of things to bed. This is the closest I've come to writing any sort of exorcism."

> 'I wanted to look at the generational price of racism, and how it's passed down like a poison.'

Despite his track record, Lehane said he never thinks about the movie or TV adaptations while writing a book.

"I think that leads to such lazy writing," he said. "There's a core moment in the book where Mary Pat reflects on her life of violence ... that whole sequence is one of my favorites in the book, and it could never be captured in film.

"The one thing I find ridiculous, to be honest, about American mythology is that the old days were better," he said. "This book is a portrait of what racism was before you could code it, before you could hide it ... I wanted to look at the generational price of racism, and how it's passed down like a poison. It's not a new idea, but it's an idea that keeps needing to be said right now."

The 300-page book took him six months to write, while other projects have taken him as long as five years.

"A book that comes out this clean tells me it was a book I had to write," he said.

As far as what he's been consuming lately, Lehane admitted ("and this is going to sound pretentious") that he doesn't read new novels anymore, although he was rereading Gustave Flaubert's "Madame Bovary."

"Normally if you ask me, I read a lot of histories — weird histories. Like 'The Bad Popes,' stuff like that," he said.

He also recently watched HBO's "Bad Sisters," which he adored. "The Last of Us" was next on his TV queue.

Based in LA for about a decade now, Lehane's working as creator and writer on the Apple TV+ series "Firebug," which is inspired by events surrounding the California arsonist John Leonard Orr, the Glendale fire captain and arson investigator convicted of four counts of mass murder and serial arson in 1992.

"I'm doing it with Taron [Egerton] again because we like working together," Lehane said of the "Black Bird" star and executive producer, who will star in and produce "Firebug."

The work means Lehane doesn't get back to Boston as much as he'd like, he said.

"Every time I think I'm coming back, I have to shoot my next TV show," said Lehane, whose other TV credits include "Boardwalk Empire" and "The Wire." "But I very much miss it. Plus, I miss the accent."

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1880 copy of 'Little Women' inscribed by Alcott goes up for auction

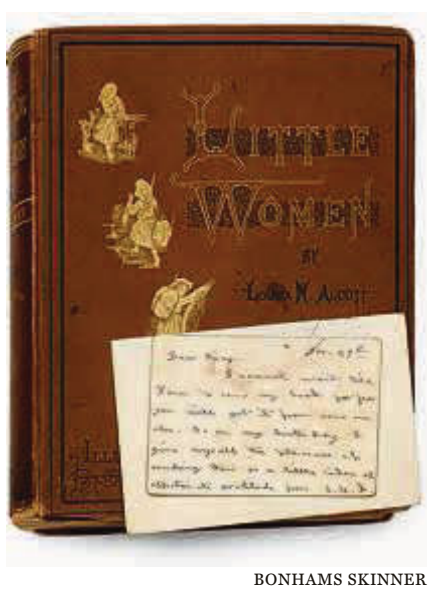
By Abigail Lee
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

On Nov. 29, 1880, Louisa May Alcott celebrated her 48th birthday by gifting a special copy of "Little Women" to her cousin, Lucy Ellen Sewall.

The copy was a new edition, published by the Boston-based Roberts Brothers that year. Alcott inscribed a short dedication in the book and with it, she wrote in a card to Sewall — a Boston doctor — "Dear Lucy, I cannot wait till Xmas to send my book for fear you will get it from some one else, so on my birthday I give myself the pleasure of sending this as a little token of affectionate gratitude from L.M.A."

The book gifted to Sewall, including the handwritten card, will be on sale in an online "Fine Books & Rare Manuscripts" auction via international auction house Bonhams Skinner through May 3. The auction house estimates bidding to fall between $4,000 and $6,000, with a starting bid of $2,000.

"What really makes it interesting is its tangible, personal association with the author and her relative," John Dorfman, Bonhams Skinner's director of books and manuscripts, said.



BONHAMS SKINNER

The 1880 illustrated edition of "Little Women" comes with a card Louisa May Alcott wrote to her cousin, Lucy Ellen Sewall.

"Little Women" was published in two parts in 1868 and 1869 before being combined into one version in 1880. This copy of the combined edition was recently consigned to Bonhams Skinner by a Boston-area resident.

"It doesn't have an unbroken, traceable history to Lucy Sewall. Somewhere along the line it got away from the family and got onto the book market and was bought and held onto by the previous owners for 40, 50 years," Dorfman said. "And now it's time for it to find a new owner."

The book is in good condition, according to Dorfman, with brown cloth binding and black-and-white illustrations.

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TV HIGHLIGHTS
Baseball: Red Sox-Orioles, 6:35 p.m., NESN
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NBA playoffs: Bucks-Heat, 7:30 p.m., TNT
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Cat's meow

BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Taylor Hall's breakaway goal against Sergei Bobrovsky with 3:36 left in the game gave the Bruins a 5-2 lead and all but sent the Panthers packing in Game 4.

Bruins dig in to scratch out another win

By Matt Porter
GLOBE STAFF

SUNRISE, Fla. — The Panthers chased Linus Ullmark from Game 4, in a sense. But it wasn't because of how well they played.

The Bruins goaltender, after making 41 saves, took a few stick whacks and a punch from Matthew Tkachuk with 3:11 left. In the fracas that followed, defensemen Derek Forbort and Brandon Carlo tackled Tkachuk.

Once standing, a linesman got between Ullmark and Tkachuk, and Ullmark was given a misconduct penalty for throwing a jab at Tkachuk. Not wanting to subject their ace to anything more, the Bruins installed Jeremy Swayman to make the final save of the game.

That was all merely spicy dressing, poured over a 6-2 win Sunday by the Bruins that gave them a 3-1 series lead heading into Wednesday night's Game 5 at TD Garden.

"It was about us playing to how we play, playing on our toes," said Bruins coach Jim Montgomery. "Digging in. That's the expression we use.

"I think we've dug in."

The Bruins are one win

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A fighting chance with Ullmark in net

TARA SULLIVAN

►**Bergeron, Krejci to play if cleared. C4**

SUNRISE, Fla. — Mask off, gloves dropped. Linus Ullmark was ready to fight.

Linus Ullmark was ready to fight?

In the words of teammate Charlie McAvoy, "everybody has a boiling point," and after the Panthers' Matthew Tkachuk whacked Ullmark with a stick and came at him with a punch, the Bruins goalie had clearly reached his. Even as teammates rallied immediately to his defense, even as they tackled Tkachuk before the Panthers' forward could pull any more dirty tricks, Ullmark was out to defend himself. He'd fought off so many pucks already, a herculean effort that anchored the Bruins' 6-2 win for a 3-1 series lead in this opening round of the playoffs, he surely figured he could take down Tkachuk as well.

Much to the relief of teammates who'd come to his aid — "I think we're going to keep Linus's hands intact and not put him at risk of breaking anybody's face," defenseman Brandon Carlo said — as well as to the credit of game officials who pulled the two players apart before anyone was seriously hurt, there was no turn-back-the-clock moment to the days of fight-first hockey. Ullmark eventually skated off the ice to the locker room, giving way to goalie partner Jeremy Swayman for the final three-plus minutes, taking his rare game misconduct penalty with him on the way to a meeting with team trainers for treatment.

Also tucked safely inside those goalie pads was a huge helping of newfound respect from his teammates, not so much for the stand-on-his-head effort he'd turned in to that point, 41 saves that kept Boston out in front of a chippy, physical and emotionally-fueled game. The Bruins have seen that

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BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Bruins goalie Linus Ullmark and Florida's Matthew Tkachuk received misconducts for this end-of-game skirmish.

CELTICS 129, HAWKS 121

It's a triumphant Sunday, everywhere you look

DAN SHAUGHNESSY

It was a tripleheader sweep, on the road, no less

ATLANTA — Sunday sweep.

A Hub hoop-hockey-hardball hat trick.

The Celtics beat the Hawks, 129-121, in Game 4 at State Farm Arena.

The Bruins beat the Florida Panthers, 6-2, in Game 4 at Sunrise, Fla.

And the Red Sox pummeled the Brewers, 12-5, at Milwaukee.

I am told this is only the third time in history that the C's, and B's both won playoff road games on the same day the Sox won a regular-season roadie, according to Boston Sports Info. That's three times in the 74 springs the teams have co-existed in Boston. Pretty good.

This could be a great week on Causeway Street. The Celts can eliminate the hungry, young Hawks Tuesday at the Garden and the Spoked-B's can send the Panthers home for the summer Wednesday. There'll be closeout sales all around. It's still early in this playoff spring, but both teams have a golden opportunity to make it to the Finals in June.

The sons of Danny Ainge and Brad Stevens pushed the Hawks to the brink with another near wire-to-wire victory over a stubborn Atlanta team. Atlanta's last

SHAUGHNESSY, Page C7

JIM DAVIS/GLOBE STAFF

A fired-up Celtics squad beat the Hawks in Game 4 and took a 3-1 series lead behind 31 points from forward Jayson Tatum.

Celtics overcome maladies, win with a sense of urgency

By Adam Himmelsbach
GLOBE STAFF

ATLANTA — On Saturday, Celtics guard Marcus Smart was walking gingerly around the team hotel, occasionally wincing as he managed a lower back contusion that left his status for Game 4 of this opening-round playoff series against the Hawks in doubt.

Jaylen Brown has already dealt with the worst of his maladies. He's been wearing a protective mask for months after fracturing his cheekbone, as well as a wrap on his right hand that was sliced open earlier this month.

But Smart went through a battery of tests Sunday morning and was cleared to play. And early in Game 4, after a frustrating start, Brown tossed his mask aside and showed both his face and his fearsomeness.

If the Celtics were dealing with hindrances, they certainly were not going to show it during a 129-121 win that gave them a 3-1 series lead. And the performances of Smart and Brown were symbolic of the urgency this team is showing as it intensifies its chase for the title that eluded it last year.

"This could possibly be our last chance of having this opportunity," Smart said. "Last year taught us that you don't get blessed and lucky too many times, and you've got to grab it."

The Celtics will have a chance to close out the series at TD Garden Tuesday night. They'll be heavily favored, but Jayson Tatum said he hopes the team can take lessons from last season's run.

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Red Sox win
Yoshida homers twice during a nine-run eighth inning to highlight a 12-5 rout of the host Brewers. **C2**

A Chevron classic
Vu makes the leap, birdies the first playoff hole to top Yin for her first LPGA major title. **Golf notebook, C2**

Freak show
Georgia's Washington can do it all at tight end, but blocking is his speciality. **NFL Draft coverage, C8**

Yoshida breaks out with two-HR inning

By Peter Abraham
GLOBE STAFF

Red Sox 12
Brewers 5

MILWAUKEE — Every day has been an adjustment for Masataka Yoshida since he arrived at spring training in February.

A $90 million contract to play left field for the Red Sox didn't shield Yoshida from the challenge of adapting to a new country and culture while concurrently trying to succeed in a new league after playing seven seasons in Japan.

It's a gradual process graded in ways that don't necessarily show up in the box score, but it did on Sunday. Yoshida drove in six runs, five with a pair of home runs in the eighth inning, the second one a grand slam, as the Red Sox beat the Milwaukee Brewers, 12-5.

In this case, the adjustment was measured in the few inches Yoshida moved his right foot to open his stance at the plate so he could get a better look at the pitcher. It came at the recommendation of hitting coach Pete Fatse.

"I felt more comfortable in this series," Yoshida said via a translator. "I talked to the hitting coach about my mechanics and hitting form and found a better one . . . I feel more comfortable with the timing."

Yoshida was hitting .167 with a .560 OPS through his first 13 games, not entirely unexpected how differently pitchers were attacking him compared to what he was used to. Instead of split-finger fastballs, there were changeups. Cutters were confounding, too.

Shifting his stance allowed Yoshida to get both eyes on the ball, giving him a better chance to read spin and react faster. He is 7 of 17 in the four games since, with nine RBIs and only four strikeouts.

"He swings at the right ones," manager Alex Cora said. "There's an adjustment and things he knows he needs to do to hit the ball hard in the air."

Their biggest inning of the season turned around a game that was looking like a loss for the Sox.

Brayan Bello, who allowed five runs over 2⅔ innings in his first start of the season, gave up three and pitched into the fifth inning this time. The Sox backed Bello with three runs off Brewers ace Corbin Burnes, Yoshida driving in one of them with a sacrifice fly in the first inning.

In a 3-3 game, Cora went to one of his low-leverage relievers, Kaleb Ort, for the seventh. The move was, in part, a product of the Sox using a six-man rotation and the bullpen being short an arm.

Ort walked Joey Wiemer on four pitches, then failed to pay attention as he stole second. Blake Perkins sacrificed to put the go-ahead run at third.

After another walk, Ort threw a slider nowhere near the plate for a wild pitch that sent Wiemer home, and the Brewers had a 4-3 lead.

Milwaukee jabbed for that run. The Red Sox came back with roundhouse punches as Justin Turner and Yoshida led off the eighth inning with home runs off Matt Bush. Kiké Hernandez doubled and took third on a lineout to right field by Triston Casas. Jarren Duran then walked and stole second.

Facing Javy Guerra, Connor Wong singled to drive in two runs. Yu Chang — who has played high-level defense at shortstop the last week — singled before the Brewers intentionally walked Rafael Devers with two outs to load the bases.

Turner drew a four-pitch walk to force in a run. Yoshida then hammered a two-strike hanging slider deep to right field for his first slam in the majors.

As the ball soared into the seats, many in the crowd of 26,939 at American Family Field hustled for the exits.

"Happy for him," Turner said. "Obviously [he was] grinding a little bit early. To get some good results is good for him and good for the Red Sox."

Yoshida is the first Sox player with two home runs in the same inning since David Ortiz against the Texas Rangers at Fenway Park on Aug. 12, 2008.

"I'm really honored," Yoshida said. "He's a Red Sox legend."

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Red Sox 12, Brewers 5

At American Family Field, Milwaukee

BOSTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Verdugo rf	4	1	1	1	1	2	.322
Devers 3b	3	1	0	1	1	1	.256
Turner dh	3	2	2	2	2	0	.286
Yoshida lf	4	2	2	6	0	1	.231
Hernández 2b	5	1	2	0	0	1	.232
Casas 1b	3	1	0	0	2	1	.129
Duran cf	4	2	2	0	1	2	.391
Wong c	5	1	2	2	0	1	.191
Chang ss	5	1	2	0	0	0	.146
Totals	**36**	**12**	**13**	**12**	**7**	**9**	

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Yelich lf	3	1	1	1	1	0	.250
a-Brosseau ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.226
Winker dh	4	0	1	0	1	0	.229
Adames ss	2	0	0	1	1	0	.272
Miller 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0	.286
Tellez 1b	3	0	0	0	1	2	.232
Anderson 3b	3	2	2	2	1	1	.280
Caratini c	4	0	0	0	0	1	.292
Turang 2b-ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	.234
Wiemer cf	3	2	2	0	1	1	.219
Perkins rf	2	0	0	0	0	1	.200
Totals	**29**	**5**	**6**	**4**	**6**	**8**	

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a-popped out for Yelich in 9th. **E**—Perkins (1). **LOB**—Boston 7, Milwaukee 6. **2B**—Hernández 2 (6), Wiemer (4). **HR**—Turner (2), off Bush, Yoshida 2 (3), off Bush, off Guerra, Anderson 2 (5), off Bello, off Schreiber. **SB**—Duran (2), Chang (1), Wiemer (3). **S**—Perkins 2. **SF**—Devers, Yoshida, Adames. **Runners left in scoring position**—Boston 4 (Verdugo 2, Devers, Casas), Milwaukee 2 (Tellez, Anderson). **RISP**—Boston 4 for 12, Milwaukee 1 for 4. **Runners moved up**—Casas, Chang. **GIDP**—Devers, Caratini. **DP**—Boston 1 (Devers, Hernández, Casas); Milwaukee 2 (Perkins, Tellez, Anderson), (Turang, Adames, Tellez).

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Bello	4⅔	5	3	3	2	3	82	9.82
Bleier	1⅓	0	0	0	1	2	18	6.52
Ort W 1-0	1	0	1	1	3	0	26	4.50
Schreiber	1	1	1	1	0	2	16	2.45
Brasier	1	0	0	0	0	1	13	7.30

Milwaukee	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Burnes	5	5	3	2	3	5	91	4.55
Peguero	1⅓	1	0	0	0	2	14	0.00
Milner	⅔	0	0	0	0	0	13	2.53
Bush BS 2; L 0-1	⅓	3	4	4	1	0	19	8.22
Guerra	1⅔	4	5	5	3	2	44	8.64

Inherited runners-scored—Bleier 1-0, Milner 1-0, Guerra 2-2. **IBB**—off Guerra (Devers). **HBP**—by Milner (Verdugo). **WP**—Bello, Ort, Guerra. **Umpires**—Home, Lance Barrett; First, Charlie Ramos; Second, Alfonso Marquez; Third, Doug Eddings. **T**—3:02. **A**—26,939 (41,700).

HOW THE RUNS SCORED

FIRST INNING
RED SOX — Verdugo singled to third. Devers struck out. Turner singled to right, Verdugo to second; on right fielder Perkins's fielding error, Verdugo to third. Yoshida hit sacrifice fly to right, Verdugo scored. Hernández lined to center.

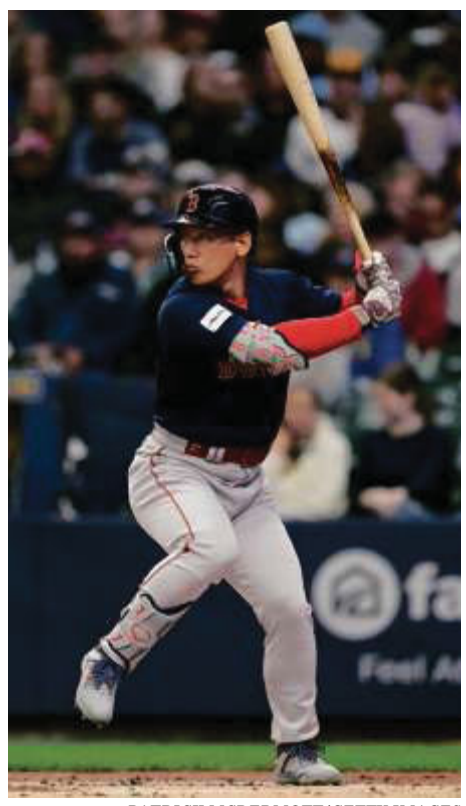
SECOND INNING
RED SOX — Casas walked. Duran singled to center, Casas to second. Wong singled to third, Casas to third, Duran to second. Chang lined to second. Verdugo walked, Casas scored, Duran to third, Wong to second. Devers hit sacrifice fly to right, Duran scored; Wong was out advancing, right fielder Perkins to first baseman Tellez to third baseman Anderson.

FOURTH INNING
BREWERS — Tellez struck out. Anderson homered to right. Caratini struck out. Turang grounded to shortstop.

FIFTH INNING
BREWERS — Wiemer doubled to left. Perkins sacrificed, catcher to first, Wiemer to third. Yelich singled to right, Wiemer scored. Winker singled to right, Yelich to third. Adames hit sacrifice fly to center, Yelich scored. Bleier pitching. Tellez struck out.

SEVENTH INNING
BREWERS — Wiemer walked. Wiemer stole second. Perkins sacrificed, third to second, Wiemer to third. Yelich walked. On Ort's wild pitch, Wiemer scored, Yelich to second. Winker walked. Adames popped to third. Tellez grounded to first, unassisted.

EIGHTH INNING
RED SOX — Turner homered to left. Yoshida homered to right. Hernández doubled to right. Casas lined to right, Hernández to third. Duran walked. Guerra pitching. Duran stole second. Wong singled to center, Hernández and Duran scored, Wong advanced to second. Chang singled to center, Wong to third. Chang stole second. Verdugo lined to center. Devers intentionally walked. Turner walked, Wong scored, Chang to third, Devers to second. Yoshida homered to right, Chang, Devers, and Turner scored. Hernández fouled to catcher.
BREWERS — Anderson homered to right. Caratini grounded, first to pitcher. Turang struck out. Wiemer struck out.



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Masataka Yoshida kick-started the Sox with two home runs in the eighth.

It was the third consecutive series victory for the 12-11 Sox. They have won seven of 10 overall. Taking two of three on the road against the 15-7 Brewers is a building block. The eighth inning was a character test they aced.

"It's a team that's going to grind until you tell us the inning's over," Cora said. "It's 23 games. I don't want to say this is who we are, but it seems like this is who we are."

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Masataka Yoshida (right) connected with Yu Chang after his second homer of the eighth, a grand slam.

RED SOX NOTEBOOK

Casas throws mask in catcher pool

By Peter Abraham
GLOBE STAFF

MILWAUKEE — **Connor Wong** caught the first six innings for the Red Sox against the Milwaukee Brewers on Saturday night before **Reese McGuire** pinch hit for him.

McGuire took a foul ball off his right hand in the eighth inning, and needed a few minutes before he got back behind the plate. He finished out the game despite his hand swelling up, but it raised the question: Who is the emergency catcher?

Manager **Alex Cora** didn't have an answer at first. But he found one on Sunday: **Triston Casas**. The first baseman told Cora over breakfast he would be able to catch if needed.

"Oh, I can catch," Casas said after the Sox beat the Brewers, 12-5. "I caught some games in high school."

Asked who he resembled most as a catcher, Casas didn't pause.

"**Matt Wieters** all day," he said. "One knee down, just nice and easy. I can frame pitches, too."

That drew a chuckle from teammate **Nick Pivetta**.

"Let's just focus on catching the ball first," he told Casas.

Casas was undeterred in his confidence.

"If they need me, I can catch," he said. "No problem."

At 6-foot-5, 244 pounds, Casas would be a good target, at least. Cora joked that the pitchers won't have trouble seeing the signs because Casas has taken to painting his fingernails.

"Hopefully we don't have to use him," Cora said.

Super utilityman **Kiké Hernández** seemed like a good candidate. He has played every other position, including pitcher, but not catcher.

"I caught a few bullpens with the Dodgers but that was it," he said. "That's not for me."

Said Cora: "Kiké gets paid by the Red Sox. If we need him, he's going to do it."

Kenley Jansen came up as a catcher before becoming one of the best closers of his generation, but Cora and every coach on the staff would get fired if they put a pitcher making $16 million a year behind the plate.

McGuire didn't play Sunday, and will probably get Monday off as well. But he's feeling better.

"I'll be OK," McGuire said. "I was doing better [Sunday].

"The way that ball hit me I was worried at first, but whenever they need me, I can go."

Orioles-Red Sox series thumbnails

At Oriole Park at Camden Yards
Monday, 6:35 p.m.
NESN, MLB, WEEI-FM (93.7)

	W-L	ERA
LHP Chris Sale	1-1	8.00
RHP Dean Kremer	1-0	6.16

Tuesday, 6:35 p.m.
NESN, WEEI-FM (93.7)

	W-L	ERA
RHP Corey Kluber	0-4	8.50
RHP Kyle Bradish	1-0	0.00

Wednesday, 6:35 p.m.
NESN, WEEI-FM (93.7)

	W-L	ERA
TBA	—	—
RHP Tyler Wells	0-1	2.70

Head to head: This is the second of four series. The Sox won two out of three in the opening series of the season.
Miscellany: Baltimore won its sixth straight Sunday, and has allowed only three runs in its past five games . . . Outfielder Cedric Mullins is tied for second in stolen bases (9) and shortstop Jorge Mateo is tied for fourth (8) . . . Orioles hitters have drawn 107 walks in 23 games, most in the AL . . . Baltimore has turned 23 double plays, most in the AL.

Running O's next

The Sox open a three-game series at Baltimore on Monday night with **Chris Sale** facing **Dean Kremer**. The Orioles lost two of three at Fenway Park in the first series of the season, but scored 23 runs on 38 hits and stole 10 bases in as many attempts.

Baltimore is 25 of 28 on stolen bases for the season. **Cedric Mullins** and **Jorge Mateo** have 17 of the swipes.

"Avoid Mateo and Mullins getting on base, that's very important," Cora said. "There were so many base runners in that first series it was crazy."

Opposing teams have stolen only 10 bases in 15 attempts against the Sox in the 20 games since that opening series, three in the last 11 games.

"I think the pitchers have done an amazing job using the pitch clock to their advantage, slowing it down and being quick when they have to be and giving the catchers a chance to throw guys out," Cora said.

Duran on a roll

Jarren Duran is 9 of 21 (.429) with 4 runs, 2 stolen bases, 3 walks, and 6 RBIs in six starts . . . **James Paxton** is scheduled to continue his minor league rehab assignment on Tuesday night with a start for Triple A Worcester at Polar Park. The lefthander has already made four minor league appearances. How he would fit into the major league staff is uncertain . . . **Javy Guerra**, who pitched 1⅔ innings for the Brewers and allowed five runs, is a former Red Sox shortstop prospect who went to the Padres in the deal that sent **Craig Kimbrel** to Boston in 2015. Guerra, who played with **Rafael Devers** in the minors, became a pitcher in 2019 . . . NESN's **Jahmai Webster** and **Will Flemming** of the Sox Radio Network took a pregame trip down the Bernie Brewer slide in left field at American Family Field and managed to avoid any injuries. (Dodgers broadcaster **David Vassegh** broke his wrist and six ribs on it last summer.) **Joe Castiglione** declined a trip.

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Alex Verdugo made it home safely on a Masataka Yoshida (not pictured) sacrifice fly in the first inning to give the Red Sox a 1-0 lead.

GOLF NOTEBOOK

Vu, who almost quit golf, captures her first LPGA major

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Lilia Vu birdied the first playoff hole to win her first major at the Chevron Championship after fellow American **Angel Yin** hit her approach shot into the water Sunday at The Woodlands, Texas.

Yin's second shot came up short and left and splashed into the pond guarding the par-5 18th hole, and Vu hit her approach just over the green. Vu went with putter from off the green and came up well short, but she converted from about 10 feet for the victory.

The 25-year-old Californian won for the second time on the LPGA Tour and took a celebratory leap into the pond, a tradition borrowed from this tournament's former venue at Mission Hills in the California desert.

Vu birdied her last two holes for a 4-under-par 68 and a four-day total of 10-under 278 at Carlton Woods, then waited as other contenders — including Yin — faltered.

But Yin, after bogeys on the 16th and 17th holes, birdied the 18th to force the playoff.

Vu played at UCLA but considered quitting the game after a rough start to her pro career. She regrouped and won three times on the developmental Epson Tour in 2021, then had a solid 2022 before breaking through in February with a victory at the Honda LPGA Thailand. She came into this event ranked 12th in the world; the 24-year-old Yin, who turned pro while still in high school, was No. 172.

Unable to find a sponsor willing to add to the half-century run at Mission Hills, the tournament — long known as the Dinah Shore for its longtime celebrity host — bolted the California desert for the woods of suburban Houston under a six-year deal with Chevron.

Winners had been jumping into Poppie's Pond off the 18th green at Mission Hills since 1988, and Vu continued the tradition by leaping off a small dock into murky water on a chilly day.

Vu took home $765,000 for the win from a purse of $5.1 million, the largest ever for this event.

World No. 2 **Nelly Korda** continued to struggle with her putting Sunday but eagled the 18th to finish alone in third at 9 under.

Hardy-Riley rally

Nick Hardy and **Davis Riley** birdied four of their final six holes — highlighted by Riley's 33-foot birdie putt from the fringe on the par-3 17th — to give both players their first PGA Tour victory at the Zurich Classic at Avondale, La.

They began the final round three shots back and closed with a 7-under 65 in alternate-shot play to finish with a tournament-record total of 30-under 258 at TPC Louisiana, eclipsing the 259 posted by 2022 winners **Patrick Cantlay** and **Xander Schauffele**.

Hardy and Riley were two shots better than Canadians **Adam Hadwin** and **Nick Taylor**.

Each took home $1.24 million and earned a two-year exemption for winning the PGA Tour's only team event.

Gooch hangs on at LIV

Talor Gooch saw his double-digit overnight lead almost evaporate but rallied late to win the inaugural LIV Australia tournament at the Grange Golf Club in Adelaide.

After two bogey-free 10-under 62 rounds, Gooch shot a 1-over 73 to clinch his maiden LIV Golf tournament victory by three strokes from a fast-moving **Anirban Lahiri**. Gooch finished with a three-round total of 19-under 197.

Phil Mickelson finished at 12-under 204 in a tie for 11th after a 69.

Baseball

E-Rod good, but Baltimore better

Orioles win sixth straight despite near-perfect start

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For the second time in three days, **Adam Frazier** played a big part in a walkoff win for the Orioles. Frazier dashed home on **Mason Englert's** wild pitch in the 10th inning to give the Orioles their sixth straight victory, 2-1, over the Tigers on Sunday.

NOTEBOOK

The Orioles won for the 10th time in 12 games, this time with only three hits as Detroit's **Eduardo Rodriguez** retired the first 20 he faced.

"Those kind of wins at the end of the season, they add up. That's how you make the playoffs," said Frazier, whose Orioles welcome the Red Sox for a three-game set beginning Monday.

Frazier pinch-ran as the automatic runner and moved to third on a sacrifice bunt. Detroit brought an outfielder in to use as a fifth infielder, but **Jorge Mateo** never had to swing the bat. The first pitch to him from Englert (0-1) skipped away and Frazier scored.

Rodriguez's bid for a perfect game was broken up by **Ryan Mountcastle's** two-out single in the seventh, but that was the only baserunner he allowed in seven innings.

Rays still untouchable at Trop

Zach Eflin pitched five effective innings in his return from injury and the Rays hit two more home runs, beating the slumping White Sox, 4-1, for their 13th consecutive home win to begin the season.

Luke Raley and **Harold Ramirez** went deep for the Rays (19-3), who have homered in each of their first 22 games. Tampa Bay tied the 2009 Dodgers for the second-longest home winning streak to start a season since 1901 — the 1907 New York Giants opened with 15 straight — and has outscored its opponents, 149-61.

Eflin (3-0) allowed one run and three hits. The pitcher who spurned the Red Sox for Tampa this winter had been on the injured list with lower back tightness for more than two weeks.

Jays hand Yankees series loss

Kevin Gausman struck out 11 in seven shutout innings, **Vladimir Guerrero Jr.** and **Daulton Varsho** hit back-to-back homers following the first career error by rookie shortstop **Anthony Volpe**, and Toronto beat the host Yankees, 5-1.

The Blue Jays won for the 12th time in 18 games and took two of three in the Bronx to hand New York its first series loss. The Yankees were the only major league team that hadn't dropped a series this year.

Gausman (2-2), who allowed eight runs Monday in Houston, held the Yankees to three hits. **Anthony Rizzo** homered in the ninth to prevent New York's first shutout of the year.

DeGrom looks strong in return

Jacob deGrom struck out 11 batters in six innings to take the major league lead, showing no ill effects from the right wrist soreness that forced an early exit last Monday, as the Rangers beat the Athletics, 5-2, in Arlington, Texas. **Robbie Grossman** hit a three-run homer and finished with four RBIs for the AL West-leaders . . . **Vince Velasquez** struck out 10 in seven innings, and the Pirates beat **Hunter Greene** and the Reds, 2-0, in Pittsburgh for their seventh consecutive victory. The Pirates are 16-7, the franchise's best start since its last division title in 1992 . . . Houston's **Mauricio Dubón** extended his career-best hitting streak to 17 games in a 5-2 win at Atlanta, capping an Astros sweep . . . **Logan Allen** held the Marlins to a solo homer and struck out eight over six innings to win his major league debut, 7-4, and prevent a Miami sweep. He's the third rookie to start for the Guardians, who are missing the injured **Triston McKenzie** and Northeastern's **Aaron Civale**.

Betts stars at short, plate

Mookie Betts homered and drove in four runs at Wrigley Field in his first career start at shortstop, and the Dodgers beat the Cubs, 7-3. **Max Muncy** and **J.D. Martinez** also connected, and **Clayton Kershaw** (4-1) pitched six innings of three-hit ball in career win No. 201 . . . **Yu Darvish** pitched effectively into the sixth inning before leaving San Diego's 7-5 victory over the Diamondbacks in Phoenix with an apparent injury. Darvish (1-2) allowed two hits, but left mid at-bat after San Diego's trainer checked on his right leg . . . **Taylor Ward**, **Mike Trout**, and **Shohei Ohtani** hit consecutive homers in a 4-3 Angels victory over the Royals in Anaheim, Calif. The day's bad news came before the game, as catcher **Logan O'Hoppe** needs surgery on a torn labrum in his left shoulder, cutting short his promising rookie season. While the 23-year-old hopes to play again this season, he is expected to need 4-6 months of recovery time.

AL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
Tampa Bay	19	3	.864	—	5-2	7-3	W 5
Baltimore	14	7	.667	4½	2-4	8-2	W 6
New York	13	9	.591	6	3-3	5-5	L 1
Toronto	13	9	.591	6	4-2	5-5	W 1
Boston	12	11	.522	7½	2-5	7-3	W 1
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Minnesota	12	10	.545	—	5-1	4-6	W 1
Cleveland	11	11	.500	1	1-2	4-6	W 1
Detroit	7	13	.350	4	2-1	5-5	L 4
Chicago	7	15	.318	5	1-2	2-8	L 4
Kansas City	5	17	.227	7	0-3	2-8	L 1
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Texas	14	7	.667	—	4-2	7-3	W 2
Houston	12	10	.545	2½	1-2	7-3	W 4
Los Angeles	11	11	.500	3½	4-2	4-6	W 1
Seattle	10	12	.455	4½	1-2	6-4	L 1
Oakland	4	18	.182	10½	2-4	1-9	L 2

NL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
Atlanta	14	8	.636	—	2-1	6-4	L 4
New York	14	9	.609	½	5-2	7-3	L 2
Miami	12	10	.545	2	4-6	7-3	L 1
Philadelphia	11	12	.478	3½	1-2	7-3	W 3
Washington	7	14	.333	6½	1-2	3-7	L 1
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Pittsburgh	16	7	.696	—	7-4	8-2	W 7
Milwaukee	15	7	.682	½	4-2	7-3	L 1
Chicago	12	9	.571	3	2-3	6-4	L 2
St. Louis	9	13	.409	6½	3-4	4-6	W 1
Cincinnati	7	15	.318	8½	3-6	2-8	L 6
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Arizona	12	11	.522	—	7-7	4-6	L 2
Los Angeles	12	11	.522	—	7-6	5-5	W 2
San Diego	12	12	.500	½	6-4	5-5	W 2
San Francisco	8	13	.381	3	1-2	3-7	W 2
Colorado	6	17	.261	6	2-4	1-9	L 3

RESULTS

SUNDAY

Boston 12	at Milwaukee 5	At Minnesota 3	Washington 1
At Philadelphia 9	Colorado 3	LA Dodgers 7	at Chi. Cubs 3
At Pittsburgh 2	Cincinnati 0	At Texas 5	Oakland 2
At Baltimore 2 (10 inn.)	Detroit 1	At LA Angels 4	Kansas City 3
Houston 5	at Atlanta 2	San Diego 7	at Arizona 5
Toronto 5	at NY Yankees 1	St. Louis 7	at Seattle 3
At Tampa Bay 4	Chi. White Sox 1	At San Francisco 5	NY Mets 4
At Cleveland 7	Miami 4		

SATURDAY

At Milwaukee 5	Boston 4	At San Francisco 7	NY Mets 4
1st: Miami 6	at Cleveland 1	At Pittsburgh 2	Cincinnati 1
2nd: Miami 3	at Cleveland 2	At Baltimore 5	Detroit 1
At NY Yankees 3	Toronto 2	At Texas 18	Oakland 3
Washington 10	at Minnesota 4	Houston 6	at Atlanta 3
LA Dodgers 9	at Chi. Cubs 4	San Diego 5	at Arizona 3
At Philadelphia 4	Colorado 3	Kansas City 11	at LA Angels 8
At T.B. 4 (10 inn.)	Chi. White Sox 3	At Seattle 5	St. Louis 4

MONDAY'S GAMES

	Odds	2023 W-L	2023 ERA	Team rec.	2022 vs. opp W-L	2022 vs. opp IP	2022 vs. opp ERA
BOSTON AT BALTIMORE, 6:35 p.m.							
Sale (L)	-120	1-1	8.00	3-1	0-0	0.0	0.00
Kremer (R)	+100	1-0	6.16	2-2	0-2	16.0	4.50
COLORADO AT CLEVELAND, 6:10 p.m.							
Gomber (L)	+170	0-4	12.12	0-4	0-1	4.2	9.64
Quantrill (R)	-200	1-1	4.15	3-1	0-0	0.0	0.00
HOUSTON AT TAMPA BAY, 6:40 p.m.							
Urquidy (R)	+110	1-1	3.66	2-2	0-0	0.0	0.00
Bradley (R)	-130	2-0	2.61	2-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
TEXAS AT CINCINNATI, 6:40 p.m.							
Eovaldi (R)	-110	2-2	5.40	2-2	0-0	0.0	0.00
Lodolo (L)	-110	2-1	4.98	2-2	0-0	0.0	0.00
CHI. WHITE SOX AT TORONTO, 7:07 p.m.							
Lynn (R)	+145	0-2	7.59	0-4	1-0	5.0	5.40
Bassitt (R)	-170	2-2	5.40	2-2	0-0	0.0	0.00
MIAMI AT ATLANTA, 7:20 p.m.							
Cabrera (R)	+200	1-1	4.08	2-2	0-0	5.0	1.80
Strider (R)	-250	2-0	2.45	4-0	0-1	1.0	27.00
DETROIT AT MILWAUKEE, 7:40 p.m.							
Boyd (L)	+135	0-1	4.50	2-1	0-0	0.0	0.00
Rea (R)	-160	0-0	4.22	2-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
NY YANKEES AT MINNESOTA, 7:40 p.m.							
Brito (R)	+110	2-1	5.40	3-1	0-0	0.0	0.00
Gray (R)	-130	2-0	0.82	3-1	0-0	6.0	1.50
OAKLAND AT LA ANGELS, 9:38 p.m.							
Waldichuk (L)	+180	0-2	7.65	1-3	1-0	7.0	0.00
Suarez (L)	-220	0-1	9.26	1-2	2-0	12.0	0.00
KANSAS CITY AT ARIZONA, 9:40 p.m.							
Keller (R)	Off	2-2	3.00	2-2	0-0	0.0	0.00
Henry (L)	Off	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
ST. LOUIS AT SAN FRANCISCO, 9:45 p.m.							
Montgomery (L)	-125	2-2	4.84	2-2	0-0	0.0	0.00
Cobb (R)	+105	0-1	2.79	2-2	0-0	5.0	3.60

Team rec. — Record in games started by pitcher this season

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In his first career start at shortstop, Mookie Betts handled his four grounders smoothly, homered, and drove in four runs in a 7-3 road win over the Cubs.

TWINS 3, NATIONALS 1

WASHINGTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Call rf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.200
Candelario 3b	3	1	0	0	1	0	.259
Meneses dh	4	0	0	0	0	0	.247
García 2b	3	0	0	0	1	2	.224
Ruiz c	4	0	1	1	0	0	.261
Smith 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.233
Garrett lf	2	0	0	0	1	2	.393
Abrams ss	2	0	1	0	1	0	.221
Robles cf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.290
Totals	**28**	**1**	**3**	**1**	**4**	**6**	

MINNESOTA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Solano 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.286
Kepler rf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.175
Correa ss	4	0	0	0	0	0	.214
Buxton dh	4	0	1	0	0	2	.243
Miranda 3b	3	1	2	0	1	0	.244
Jeffers c	4	0	2	0	0	2	.321
Polanco 2b	4	1	3	2	0	1	.385
Gallo rf-1b	3	0	0	0	1	2	.235
Castro lf	3	0	0	0	1	0	.185
Taylor cf	4	1	1	1	0	0	.232
Totals	**33**	**3**	**9**	**3**	**3**	**7**	

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E—Candelario (2). **LOB**—Washington 4, Minnesota 9. **2B**—Ruiz (4). **HR**—Polanco (1), off Corbin, Taylor (4), off Corbin. **CS**—Call (2). **DP**—Washington 1; Minnesota 1.

Washington	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Corbin L 1-3	6	7	3	3	2	6	5.88
Ramírez	1	2	0	0	0	1	3.97
Banda	1	0	0	0	1	0	5.14

Minnesota	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Ober W 1-0	5⅔	3	1	1	3	4	1.59
Thielbar	1⅓	0	0	0	1	1	2.57
JoLópez	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Duran S 5	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.45

NP—Corbin 96, Ramírez 22, Banda 10, Ober 89, Thielbar 18, JoLópez 7, Duran 11. **Umpires**—Home, Nestor Ceja; First, Alex MacKay; Second, Brian O'Nora; Third, Pat Hoberg. **T**—2:13. **A**—14,763 (38,544).

PIRATES 2, REDS 0

CINCINNATI	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
India 2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.291
Friedl cf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.303
Casali c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.227
Steer dh	4	0	0	0	0	4	.281
Fraley rf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.197
Myers 1b	4	0	2	0	0	2	.218
Fairchild lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.200
Vosler 3b	3	0	0	0	0	2	.161
Barrero ss	2	0	0	0	1	1	.245
Maile c	1	0	0	0	1	1	.176
TyStephnsn ph	1	0	1	0	0	0	.270
Senzel pr-cf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.152
Totals	**31**	**0**	**4**	**0**	**2**	**13**	

PITTSBURGH	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Hayes 3b	4	1	1	0	0	2	.227
Marcano 2b	4	0	1	0	0	2	.294
McCutchen dh	4	0	1	0	0	1	.275
Santana 1b	4	1	1	0	0	1	.253
Suwinski lf	2	0	1	1	2	0	.255
Castro ss	3	0	0	0	1	3	.259
Smith-Njigba rf	2	0	0	0	0	1	.125
Joe ph-rf	0	0	0	0	1	0	.357
Bae cf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.206
Delay c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.314
Totals	**29**	**2**	**6**	**1**	**4**	**11**	

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LOB—Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 7. **2B**—TyStephenson (4), Hayes (6), Suwinski (3). **HR**—. **SB**—Santana (1), Suwinski 2 (2). **DP**—Cincinnati 1.

Cincinnati	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Greene L 0-1	6	4	1	1	2	6	3.52
Sanmartin	⅓	0	0	0	2	1	3.48
FCruz	1⅔	2	1	1	0	4	5.68

Pittsburgh	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Velasquz W 3-2	7	2	0	0	2	10	3.76
Holderman	1	1	0	0	0	1	1.64
Bednar S 8	1	1	0	0	0	2	0.82

Inherited runners-scored—FCruz 2-0. **NP**—Greene 96, Sanmartin 15, FCruz 30, Velasquez 100, Holderman 14, Bednar 19. **Umpires**—Home, Emil Jimenez; First, Carlos Torres; Second, Jansen Visconti; Third, Cory Blaser. **T**—2:20. **A**—11,372 (38,747).

ASTROS 5, BRAVES 2

HOUSTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Dubón 2b	4	1	1	0	0	0	.329
Bregman 3b	3	0	1	2	2	0	.235
Alvarez lf	5	0	1	2	0	3	.253
JAbreu dh	4	0	1	0	0	2	.250
Tucker rf	3	1	2	0	1	0	.303
Peña ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	.216
Hensley 1b	3	1	0	0	1	1	.156
Meyers cf	3	1	2	0	1	1	.277
Maldonado c	3	0	0	0	0	2	.160
Julks ph	1	1	1	1	0	0	.327
Salazar c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.286
Totals	**33**	**5**	**9**	**5**	**5**	**11**	

ATLANTA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Acuña Jr. rf	3	1	1	0	1	1	.374
Olson 1b	3	0	0	0	1	2	.256
Riley 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.268
Albies 2b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.244
Rosario dh	4	0	0	0	0	1	.175
Hilliard cf	4	0	1	0	0	2	.317
Grissom ss	3	0	0	0	0	1	.273
Pillar lf	3	1	1	1	0	2	.211
Tromp c	3	0	0	0	0	2	.000
Totals	**29**	**2**	**3**	**1**	**3**	**13**	

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Atlanta.....000 011 000 — 2 3 0

E—Dubón (2). **LOB**—Houston 7, Atlanta 4. **2B**—Meyers (2), Acuña Jr. (8), Hilliard (4). **HR**—Pillar (1), off Javier. **SB**—Tucker (5), Acuña Jr. (12). **CS**—Meyers (1). **DP**—Houston 1; Atlanta 2.

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Javier	6	3	2	1	2	10	3.21
Maton	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.00
Neris W 2-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2.61
BAbreu S 2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.73

Atlanta	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Fried	6⅔	3	0	0	3	5	0.60
Anderson	1	2	2	2	1	2	4.22
Minter L 1-2	1	3	3	3	1	3	5.73
Young	⅓	1	0	0	0	1	2.45

Inherited runners-scored—Anderson 2-0, Minter 3-2, Young 2-2. **HBP**—by BAbreu (Albies), by Young (Dubón). **NP**—Javier 98, Maton 15, Neris 12, BAbreu 18, Fried 107, Anderson 27, Minter 30, Young 8. **Umpires**—Home, Chris Segal; First, Ben May; Second, Jeff Nelson; Third, CB Bucknor. **T**—2:52. **A**—41,530 (41,184).

RAYS 4, WHITE SOX 1

WHITE SOX	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Robert Jr. cf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.233
Benintendi lf	4	1	1	0	0	0	.282
Vaughn 1b	4	0	0	0	0	2	.244
Jiménez dh	3	0	1	1	0	1	.208
Sheets rf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.303
Burger 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.231
Andrus ss	3	0	0	0	0	2	.208
Zavala c	3	0	0	0	0	0	.222
Sosa 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.147
Totals	**30**	**1**	**3**	**1**	**0**	**7**	

TAMPA BAY	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Díaz 1b	4	0	1	1	0	0	.307
Franco ss	3	0	1	0	1	0	.289
Arozarena lf	2	0	0	0	2	0	.341
BrLowe 2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.254
Ramírez dh	4	1	1	1	0	1	.373
Paredes 3b	2	1	0	0	0	0	.209
Raley rf	3	1	1	2	0	1	.188
Bethancourt c	3	1	1	0	0	2	.273
Margot cf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.190
Totals	**28**	**4**	**5**	**4**	**3**	**5**	

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Tampa Bay.....031 000 00x — 4 5 1

E—Bethancourt (1). **LOB**—Chi. White Sox 2, Tampa Bay 4. **2B**—Benintendi (5), Jiménez (3), Díaz (3), Franco (9), Bethancourt (4). **HR**—Ramírez (5), off Giolito, Raley (4), off Giolito. **SB**—Robert Jr. (1), Franco (4). **CS**—Arozarena (2).

Chi. White Sox	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Giolito L 1-2	7	5	4	4	2	5	4.50
Banks	1	0	0	0	1	0	3.60

Tampa Bay	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Eflin W 3-0	5	3	1	1	0	4	2.81
Chirinos	3	0	0	0	0	2	0.00
Fairbanks S 3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.00

HBP—by Giolito (Paredes). **NP**—Giolito 102, Banks 14, Eflin 67, Chirinos 37, Fairbanks 13. **Umpires**—Home, Stu Scheurwater; First, Malachi Moore; Second, Mark Wegner; Third, Bruce Dreckman. **T**—2:02. **A**—22,702 (25,025).

BLUE JAYS 5, YANKEES 1

TORONTO	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Springer rf	5	0	0	0	0	2	.198
Bichette ss	4	1	0	0	0	2	.330
Guerrero Jr. 1b	4	1	1	2	0	0	.341
Varsho lf	4	1	1	1	0	2	.224
Chapman 3b	4	1	2	0	0	2	.367
Kirk dh	3	0	0	0	1	1	.245
Merrifield 2b	3	1	1	0	1	1	.310
Jansen c	4	0	1	2	0	0	.150
Kiermaier cf	3	0	0	0	1	1	.295
Totals	**34**	**5**	**6**	**5**	**3**	**11**	

NY YANKEES	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Volpe ss	4	0	0	0	0	3	.188
Judge rf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.244
Rizzo dh	4	1	1	1	0	2	.316
Torres 2b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.254
LeMahieu 1b	4	0	3	0	0	0	.281
Cabrera lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.224
Peraza 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.200
Higashioka c	3	0	0	0	0	3	.167
Kiner-Falefa cf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.176
Totals	**33**	**1**	**6**	**1**	**0**	**12**	

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NY Yankees.....000 000 001 — 1 6 1

E—Volpe (1). **LOB**—Toronto 5, NY Yankees 5. **2B**—Chapman (10), Merrifield (5), Jansen (1), LeMahieu (6). **HR**—Guerrero Jr. (5), off Schmidt, Varsho (2), off Schmidt, Rizzo (5), off Cimber. **SB**—Kiner-Falefa (3).

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gausman W 2-2	7	3	0	0	0	11	2.84
Swanson	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.74
Cimber	1	3	1	1	0	0	4.50

NY Yankees	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Schmidt L 0-2	5⅔	3	3	0	1	8	6.30
King	1⅓	2	1	1	0	1	2.03
Hamilton	2	1	1	1	2	2	2.13

NP—Gausman 103, Swanson 11, Cimber 20, Schmidt 76, King 16, Hamilton 46. **Umpires**—Home, Quinn Wolcott; First, Junior Valentine; Second, Adrian Johnson; Third, Manny Gonzalez. **T**—2:23. **A**—39,293 (46,537).

RANGERS 5, ATHLETICS 2

OAKLAND	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Ruiz cf	4	0	0	0	0	3	.280
Noda 1b	4	0	0	0	0	3	.200
Aguilar dh	4	0	0	0	0	1	.241
Peterson 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.193
KevSmith ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	.171
Capel rf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.298
Díaz ph	1	0	1	0	0	0	.151
Diaz 2b	4	1	1	0	0	1	.364
Kemp lf	2	0	0	0	0	1	.157
Rooker ph-lf	1	0	0	0	0	1	.318
Langeliers c	3	1	1	2	0	1	.234
Wade ss	3	0	1	0	0	2	.100
Totals	**33**	**2**	**5**	**2**	**0**	**15**	

TEXAS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Semien 2b	3	1	1	0	2	0	.298
Grossman dh	2	1	1	4	2	0	.208
Lowe 1b	4	0	1	0	1	2	.256
García rf	3	0	0	0	1	0	.250
Jung 3b	4	0	0	0	0	3	.272
Heim c	4	0	1	0	0	0	.315
Duran ss	4	0	1	0	0	1	.263
JosSmith ss	0	0	0	0	0	0	.162
Taveras cf	4	3	3	0	0	0	.265
Thompson lf	2	0	0	0	0	0	.160
Jankowski ph-lf	1	0	1	0	0	0	.333
Totals	**31**	**5**	**9**	**4**	**6**	**6**	

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Texas.....030 100 01x — 5 9 1

E—Duran (2). **LOB**—Oakland 4, Texas 10. **2B**—Duran (2). **HR**—Langeliers (4), off deGrom, Grossman (2), off Muller. **SB**—Capel (4), Wade (3), Semien (3), Taveras (1), Jankowski (3). **S**—Thompson. **SF**—Grossman.

Oakland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Muller L 0-2	5	7	4	4	4	3	7.23
Lovelady	1	0	0	0	1	1	0.00
ChaSmith	1⅓	1	1	1	0	1	4.00
Moll	⅔	1	0	0	1	1	4.50

Texas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
deGrom W 2-0	6	3	2	1	0	11	3.04
Burke	⅔	1	0	0	0	1	2.70
Hernández	1⅓	0	0	0	0	2	1.93
WilSmith S 2	1	1	0	0	0	1	2.16

Inherited runners-scored—Moll 1-1, Hernández 1-0. **WP**—Moll. **NP**—Muller 93, Lovelady 18, ChaSmith 21, Moll 17, deGrom 80, Burke 14, Hernández 21, WilSmith 17. **Umpires**—Home, Tripp Gibson; First, Brennan Miller; Second, Mark Carlson; Third, Jordan Baker. **T**—2:31. **A**—34,916 (40,518).

ORIOLES 2, TIGERS 1

DETROIT	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Baddoo lf	5	0	1	0	0	3	.222
Greene cf	5	0	1	0	0	3	.235
Vierling rf	5	1	2	0	0	2	.233
Carpenter dh	3	0	0	0	0	1	.218
Haase ph-dh	1	0	1	0	1	0	.250
McKinstry ss	3	0	1	0	1	2	.256
Torkelson 1b	2	0	0	1	2	0	.216
Nevin 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.063
Maton ph-3b	1	0	0	0	1	0	.129
Rogers c	2	0	0	0	2	1	.258
Schoop 2b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.188
Totals	**34**	**1**	**7**	**1**	**7**	**12**	

| BALTIMORE | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
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STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS BRUINS VS. PANTHERS

KEVIN PAUL DUPONT
ON HOCKEY

Bergeron, Krejci won't rest if they're cleared to play

SUNRISE, Fla. — A definitive 6-2 win in Game 4 by the Bruins on Sunday, delivering them to a 3-1 playoff series lead over the rapidly disintegrating Panthers, left coach Jim Montgomery equally definitive and adamant about the immediate future of his two star injured centers.

If Patrice Bergeron and/or David Krejci are good to go for Game 5 Wednesday night at the Garden, then count 37 and 46 in the lineup.

No ifs, no buts, no calculating where the series stands, and whether more time on the sidelines would best serve the two elite thirtysomethings.

"If . . . they . . . and the doctors say they are able to play," said Montgomery, very deliberate with his words in the postgame presser, "they're playing. You don't take chances in the playoffs. You don't wait and . . . 'Oh, he's going to get another eight days of rest.' If he is healthy, and we know what the situation is . . . if he gets the green light, he's playing on Wednesday."

Asked to clarify his point, and whether he meant just one of the centers, Montgomery said he was speaking about both.

"Especially Bergeron," added Montgomery, who has been without the team captain for all four games. "I have higher hopes for him playing than Krejci . . . from [the standpoint] of medical timeline . . . checking the boxes."

Interesting, however, that Montgomery raised the prospect of eight days. That would cast forward to a week from Monday, which would be the day after a possible Game 7 of the first-round series (in the book for April 30) at the Garden.

That respite would be precisely the lead-up time to the start of Round 2, which would pit the Bruins, or the Panthers, against either the Maple Leafs or the Lightning. The Leafs took a 2-1 lead in that series on Saturday night.

But no need to look at the timeline. One or both will play if the docs give the OK. At least that was the calculation as the Bruins boarded the the team bus here in the Florida twilight.

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Coach Jim Montgomery listens to the referee's explanation after a third-period brawl that featured goalie Linus Ullmark and Florida's Matthew Tkachuk.

Bruins vs. Panthers

Boston leads series, 3-1

Monday, April 17
At Boston 3 ..... Florida 1

Wednesday, April 19
Florida 6 ..... at Boston 3

Friday, April 21
Boston 4 ..... at Florida 2

Sunday, April 23
Boston 6 ..... at Florida 2

Schedule
Wed., Apr. 26 at Boston ..... 7 p.m. (NESN)
*Fri., Apr. 28 at Florida ..... TBA
*Sun., Apr. 30 at Boston ..... TBA

* If necessary

Leading men

The Bruins swept the two games here, and did so without falling behind on the scoreboard for even a second.

Taylor Hall's early goal in Game 3 had the Bruins with the advantage of playing downhill with the lead for a total 57:34 on Friday night. Brad Marchand potted a power-play goal for the opening goal in Game 4, and the Black and Gold wrapped up their two games with a combined lead time of 107:48 across the 120 minutes.

A major factor across the two games: the improved, faster, and stouter effort from the blue line corps, in part because Matt Grzelcyk drew back into the order, subbing in for the harder-hitting Connor Clifton. Montgomery opted for Grzelcyk's mobility over Clifton's big bangs.

But overall, it was the alert, improved play of their so-called Big Three — Charlie McAvoy, Hampus Lindholm, and Dmitry Orlov — that helped button up the back end, bring more flow and pop to the offensive game and springboard the Bruins into a commanding series lead.

Orlov has proven to be more of an asset than expected, especially in helping create offense. He made an alert feed to Jake DeBrusk on the 2-0 goal and has a 0-5–5 line in the four playoff games, only 2 points behind team leader Hall (4-3–7).

"He's been outstanding," said McAvoy, reflecting on what Orlov's meant to the blue line six-pack. "Since the first moment we got him he's been big, and I think the offensive side has been what's surprising to me.

"He makes exceptional plays out there, not only in transition, breaking pucks out in the offensive zone too — and we're all seeing it."

Orlov, remember, came with a championship pedigree, having been with the Capitals for their 2018 Cup title.

"He's someone who's won before and when you bring someone in who's won the value is hard to explain," noted McAvoy. "He knows what it takes and he's raised his game and we're all better for it."

By Montgomery's eye, the Big Three "have dug in — they've led us."

"They have the ability to control the game," he added. "Especially when we have them split up like that. One of them is on the ice all game long, which is extremely comforting."

Orlov, with traces of the legendary Ray Bourque in his game, arrived with a "swagger and confidence," noted Montgomery, that was lacking before his arrival.

"And then the compete," said an admiring Montgomery, "I mean, like, he digs in."

Pastrnak quiet

David Pastrnak, after launching 13 shots attempts in Game 3, and landing seven on net, was strikingly quiet in Game 4. He fired twice in the opening 40:00, leading in part to Montgomery's decision to shift him to the Brad Marchand-Charlie Coyle line for the start of the third period.

DeBrusk, who had scored twice with that No. 1 line, shifted over to a new trio with Hall and Pavel Zacha.

Not even in 2011, when the Bruins won their most recent Cup, did they have such dependable scoring assets. And remember this is without their two top centers in the mix. In most (all?) other times, the Bruins' offense would have closed up tighter than the State House doors at 4:30 on Friday afternoon with their top two playmakers on the sideline.

Pastrnak landed only one more shot in the third and finished with 19:04 of ice time, including 5:04 on the man-advantage. He led the league this season with 407 shots on net. They'll need to see more of shooting Pasta the rest of the way.

Ullmark received treatment

Linus Ullmark, now 3-1, was not made available to the media prior to boarding the bus. The club's media staff only said that he was "receiving treatment."

A number of times in the four games Ullmark was slow to get back on his feet after saves. He has not suffered any obvious injury.

Most likely "receiving treatment" was an excuse for the presumptive Vezina winner not to meet with the media and be asked about his late-game dust-up with Matthew Tkachuk.

If he is laboring with some injury, be it minor or worse, the 3-1 series lead now would allow Montgomery easily to call on Jeremy Swayman for Game 5. Keeping Swayman sharp, though of little concern at the moment amid a two-game lead, could prove to be smart move.

Villain status

Game 4 proved a bit of a throwback in that Panthers forwards Tkachuk and Sam Bennett acquired "villain" status for their chippy, sometimes over the top, antics on the ice. Boston sports fans of a certain age could harken back to the days when Johnny Most, legendary radio voice of the Celtics, would have jumped at the chance to attach nicknames to such miscreants. Tkachuk and Bennett, to use a couple of Most favorites, would be "McFilthy and McNasty."

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Bruins 6, Panthers 2

EASTERN CONFERENCE FIRST ROUND, GAME 4
Sunday, April 23, 2023, at FLA Live Arena, Sunrise, Fla.

	1	2	3	T
Boston	1	1	4	**6**
Florida	0	1	1	**2**

SUMMARY

1st period

Time	Team	Scoring summary	Status
9:45	Boston	Brad Marchand (3) POWER PLAY Assists: Pavel Zacha, Tyler Bertuzzi	Boston, 1-0

Time	Team	Penalty detail
9:11	Florida	Colin White: 2 minutes for cross check
10:37	Florida	Ryan Lomberg: 2 minutes for delay of game
15:33	Boston	Pavel Zacha: 2 minutes for roughing
20:00	Florida	Matthew Tkachuk: 2 minutes for cross check

2nd period

Time	Team	Scoring summary	Status
1:52	Boston	Jake DeBrusk (2) POWER PLAY Assists: Dmitry Orlov, Taylor Hall	Boston, 2-0
16:00	Florida	Matthew Tkachuk (2) Assists: Carter Verhaeghe, Brandon Montour	Boston, 2-1

Time	Team	Penalty detail
4:07	Boston	Charlie Coyle: 2 minutes for hooking

3rd period

Time	Team	Scoring summary	Status
2:26	Boston	Tyler Bertuzzi (2) Assists: Brandon Carlo, Nick Foligno	Boston, 3-1
6:11	Florida	Sam Bennett (2) POWER PLAY Assists: Brandon Montour, Matthew Tkachuk	Boston, 3-2
8:05	Boston	Jake DeBrusk (3) Assists: Pavel Zacha, Taylor Hall	Boston, 4-2
16:24	Boston	Taylor Hall (3) Assists: Tomas Nosek, Linus Ullmark	Boston, 5-2
19:31	Boston	Taylor Hall (4) EMPTY NET Assists: Jakub Lauko, Garnet Hathaway	Boston, 6-2

Time	Team	Penalty detail
4:45	Boston	Nick Foligno: 2 minutes for tripping
11:02	Boston	Charlie McAvoy: 2 minutes for slashing
11:02	Florida	Matthew Tkachuk: 2 minutes for slashing
12:02	Florida	Brandon Montour: 2 minutes for interference
16:49	Florida	Sam Bennett: 10 minutes for misconduct
16:49	Florida	Brandon Montour, major: 5 minutes for fighting
16:49	Boston	Jake DeBrusk: 10 minutes for misconduct
16:49	Boston	Derek Forbort, served by Taylor Hall: 2 minutes for roughing
16:49	Florida	Matthew Tkachuk: 10 minutes for misconduct
16:49	Boston	Derek Forbort, major: 5 minutes for fighting
16:49	Boston	Linus Ullmark: 10 minutes for misconduct

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

BRUINS

Player	G	A	+/-	SOG	MS	Blk	PIM	Ht	Tk	Gv	Shf	TOI	PPTOI	SHTOI	EVTOI	FW-L
Bertuzzi	1	1	+1	5	2	2	0	5	0	0	20	16:03	4:14	0:00	11:49	0-0
Carlo	0	1	+1	1	0	6	0	2	0	0	28	22:02	0:05	4:41	17:16	0-0
Coyle	0	0	-1	1	1	1	2	2	0	1	25	16:39	0:13	2:49	13:37	15-4
DeBrusk	2	0	0	2	0	1	10	1	0	0	22	14:40	1:59	0:51	11:50	0-0
Foligno	0	1	+1	0	1	2	2	4	0	0	23	13:38	0:56	1:13	11:29	5-6
Forbort	0	0	-1	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	24	15:45	0:04	2:34	13:07	0-0
Frederic	0	0	+1	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	18	11:07	0:12	1:03	9:52	1-0
Grzelcyk	0	0	+2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	11:25	0:00	0:00	11:25	0-0
THall	2	2	+3	4	2	1	0	0	0	1	23	15:06	2:45	0:00	12:21	0-1
Hathaway	0	1	+2	0	1	2	0	8	0	0	19	9:44	0:05	1:56	7:43	0-0
Lauko	0	1	+1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	6:39	0:00	0:19	6:20	0-0
Lindholm	0	0	+2	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	26	21:08	2:41	0:56	17:31	0-0
Marchand	1	0	-1	3	1	0	0	2	1	2	27	20:01	4:13	1:35	14:13	0-2
McAvoy	0	0	+1	1	1	2	2	5	0	1	28	23:48	3:27	2:46	17:35	0-0
Nosek	0	1	+1	1	0	3	0	0	1	1	25	12:51	0:00	4:29	8:22	14-4
Orlov	0	1	+1	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	29	22:13	2:37	3:56	15:40	0-0
Pastrnak	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	22	19:44	5:04	0:00	14:40	0-1
Swayman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3:11	0:00	2:00	1:11	0-0
Ullmark	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	2	0	56:49	6:26	5:26	44:57	0-0
Zacha	0	2	+1	4	1	0	2	0	0	0	24	18:01	2:35	0:36	14:50	5-5

Goalie	SA	GA	Saves	Sv%	TOI	Rec.
Swayman	1	0	1	1.000	3:11	0-0-0
Ullmark	43	2	41	0.953	56:49	3-1-0

PANTHERS

Player	G	A	+/-	SOG	MS	Blk	PIM	Ht	Tk	Gv	Shf	TOI	PPTOI	SHTOI	EVTOI	FW-L
Barkov	0	0	-1	7	1	0	0	1	0	1	28	22:47	5:52	3:28	13:27	4-8
Bennett	1	0	-1	5	1	0	10	6	0	0	23	18:35	4:05	0:34	13:56	5-8
Bobrovsky	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57:06	5:26	6:26	45:14	0-0
Cousins	0	0	-2	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	16	9:36	1:15	0:00	8:21	0-0
Dalpe	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	16	10:11	0:11	0:00	10:00	0-0
Fitzgerald	0	0	-1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	14	8:08	0:00	1:12	6:56	0-0
Forsling	0	0	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	28	23:45	0:50	4:23	18:32	0-0
Gudas	0	0	-1	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	27	22:01	0:00	4:28	17:33	0-0
Lomberg	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	17	11:46	0:09	0:00	11:37	0-1
Lundell	0	0	-1	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	20	16:36	3:10	2:11	11:15	3-10
Luostarinen	0	0	-3	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	26	16:16	2:24	1:32	12:20	0-1
Mahura	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	9:28	0:10	0:31	8:47	0-0
Montour	0	2	0	6	1	4	7	1	1	0	28	26:30	4:50	0:13	21:27	0-0
Reinhart	0	0	-1	2	0	0	0	3	0	2	25	20:38	5:57	1:01	13:40	6-9
EStaal	0	0	-2	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	20	12:28	1:46	2:41	8:01	4-2
MStaal	0	0	-2	2	0	2	0	2	0	1	26	19:56	0:00	2:08	17:48	0-0
Tkachuk	1	1	0	6	1	1	14	4	0	1	24	19:41	5:05	0:22	14:14	0-0
Verhaeghe	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	3	0	3	24	19:26	3:11	0:00	16:15	0-0
White	0	0	-1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	14	6:40	0:15	0:00	6:25	1-1

Goalie	SA	GA	Saves	Sv%	TOI	Rec.
Bobrovsky	30	5	25	0.833	57:06	0-1-0

SHOTS ON GOAL	1	2	3	T
Boston	12	8	11	**31**
Florida	15	12	17	**44**

POWER PLAY	PPG	PPO
Boston	2	4
Florida	1	4

Attendance: 19,771 (102.7% of 19,250)
Time: 2:47
Referees: TJ Luxmore, Dan O'Rourke. **Linesmen:** Matt MacPherson, Jesse Marquis.

Bruins dig in, scratch out another win for 3-1 series lead

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away from throwing dirt on Florida, which pumped 44 pucks on goal to the visitors' 31 but couldn't rattle them, and moving on to the second round.

Taylor Hall's breakaway finish (16:24 of the third) and empty-netter (19:31) gave him a 4-point game (2-2–4) and sealed the wild win. The Bruins also got a pair of goals from Jake DeBrusk.

Tyler Bertuzzi's goal at 2:26 of the third, a masterful deflection through Panthers goalie Sergei Bobrovsky's wickets, gave the Bruins a 3-1 lead. Bertuzzi (1-1–2, 5 shots, 5 hits), after Nick Foligno entered the zone and dished to Carlo at the point, swatted down Carlo's heads-up shot.

The goal was Bertuzzi's second of the playoffs (2-4–6) and helped him keep pace with the other deadline arrivals. Dmitry Orlov (assist) has been a playmaker, and Garnet Hathaway (eight hits) a wrecking ball.

"We stuck with it," said Hathaway. "On their home ice, they were playing a tough game and they were fighting back. I thought we stuck to the process for us, which is being smart with the puck . . . playing with the lead . . . not folding under that pressure."

After Boston's penalty kill (10 for 11 in the series) gave up a Sam Bennett stuff-in at 6:11 of the third, DeBrusk answered at 8:05. DeBrusk finished the rebound off a Pavel Zacha sizzler that popped out of Bobrovsky's glove.

The Bruins were up, 2-1, after 40 minutes thanks to power-play goals from Brad Marchand and DeBrusk. But the Panthers had the better of the play at five on five. Florida outshot the Bruins, 32-22, at even strength, forcing Ullmark to be the star of the show. He made a flamboyant diving stop on Sam Reinhart in the first period, looking like Tim Thomas.

The Bruins went the first 9:06 without a shot on net. Then they got two quick ones, plus a power play, and the game's opening goal. Bobrovsky made stops on David Pastrnak and Zacha, and thought he had the puck covered. It was sitting between his legs, however, and Marchand poked it in at 9:45.

In the first period, the Bruins' power play landed seven shots on two opportunities. They only needed one shot on the man up to take a 2-0 lead.

The Bruins opened the second period at five on four; Tkachuk was called for a nasty cross-check on Hathaway after the opening period ended. At 1:52, DeBrusk was in position to convert a tap-in from Orlov, who recorded his fifth assist of the series with a slick feed through traffic after Hall found the defenseman in the flow.

"I didn't see it coming right away," DeBrusk said. "It was right on my tape . . . just tried to get to the net, and he found me. It was a perfect play."

That was after DeBrusk was a victim of friendly fire, taking a hard pass from Hall off the head late in the first period. DeBrusk finished his shift, but was handed a towel on the bench to stop the bleeding.

"There was a lot of blood," said DeBrusk, who took a few stitches above his ear.

He returned to start the second and made the most of it.

The post-whistle stuff happened all game, as did the big smacks. Charlie McAvoy went Mack Truck on Tkachuk, bowling over his former US national team pal on the backcheck. McAvoy also dumped Eric Staal, Johnny Bucyk-style, with a hip check. Marchand crunched Marc Staal with a reverse hit. Early in the third, Tkachuk crunched Pastrnak awkwardly into the boards, a hit from which he was fortunate to skate away from.

Hathaway, who landed five hits in the first period, was the last to leave the ice after the first-intermission buzzer sounded. Tkachuk arrived late with a cross-check to the back, well after the horn. Also, Bennett sidled up and gave Hathaway a stick between the legs while he was down.

"Just part of the game, I guess," said Hathaway, adding that he would be wearing more padding next game.

Tkachuk was also dirty with the puck on his stick. He made it 2-1 at 16:00 of the second with a highlight-reel strike. With Ullmark looking the wrong way as the puck caught the outside of the net, Tkachuk was short side, pulling the puck between his legs and tucking it home.

But Tkachuk, Florida's 40-goal, 109-point superstar, made more of an impression with his antics. If the Bruins keep playing like this, those antics will be remembered as a sideshow act.

"They seem to thrive on that. They build a lot of emotion in their game after the whistles," Marchand said. "Hasn't really been the way we've played all year. When we can play hard between the whistles and skate away, it allows us to stay in the right mindset."

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STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

Marchand calls out networks for airing chirps

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SUNRISE, Fla. — The microphones and cameras love **Brad Marchand**, whose quick wit and chippy, flashy playing style typically make for memorable miked-up moments.

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But the Bruins winger, who in the past has alluded to wanting fewer eyes and ears tracking his exploits, laid out his full position after the wild end to the 6-2 Game 4 win Sunday over the Panthers.

Marchand — recently given a "Mr. TNT" trophy by the network for being the best on-ice talker — wants the chirping to be for players' ears only.

Some unprintable and exceedingly personal comments from Florida star **Matthew Tkachuk**, including some about a member of **Tomas Nosek's** family, accidentally made the live broadcast this series. When asked if Tkachuk had crossed the line, Marchand spun the question back at a reporter.

"I think the NHL and the media outlets cross the line by allowing those mikes," he said. "There's a reason guys don't want mikes on the bench and that's why, because they're going to take advantage of it at some point and they did. Regardless of what's said by Tkachuk or other guys, there should never be an instance where a mike picks up any of that stuff."

"The fact that the media outlets allowed that to happen, it's very disrespectful to the [broadcast] agreement we have in place. It's going to get guys in trouble."

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In a Game 4 full of hits, Trent Frederic was on the receiving end of one thrown by the Panthers' Sam Bennett.

Judging by YouTube views and online commenter engagement, miked-up segments are some of the most popular pieces of content the NHL produces. Everyone seemingly wants to get close to the game and hear what the players are saying to one another, acknowledged **Jake DeBrusk**, who was sitting next to Marchand at the postgame news conference.

"As a fan sometimes you want to get closer to the action and hear things," said DeBrusk, who then agreed with his teammate. "But sometimes it's better to not have that."

In Marchand's view, Tkachuk's comments were par for the course.

"A lot of things that are said, a lot of things like what he said, that are said all game long and throughout the years, but you don't pick it up [on] mikes. There shouldn't be mikes in that situation. It's part of the game."

Marchand said the whirlwind surrounding Tkachuk in Game 4 — which had Bruins goaltender **Linus Ullmark** with glove and blocker off, ready to throw down late in the third period — was not a carryover from previous games.

"No, I just think he plays with emotion, always in guys' faces, likes to get in scrums after whistles and create havoc," Marchand said.

"He thrives with that. I don't think that because of something he said it would carry into another game."

No Bergeron, Krejci

Patrice Bergeron and **David Krejci** were not in the Bruins' lineup again for Game 4, coach **Jim Montgomery** believing Bergeron is closer to returning for Wednesday's Game 5 at TD Garden than Krejci.

"If they and the doctors say they are able to play, they're playing," Montgomery said. "You don't take chances in the playoffs. You don't wait."

Before puck drop, Montgomery had all but ruled out Krejci for Wednesday's homecoming.

"I wouldn't think he's a real option for Game 5," Montgomery said, offering no other specifics on what was ailing Krejci.

One thought left unexplored: the Bruins haven't exactly needed him, given how well the other forwards have been playing. In Game 4, Boston wound up with a pair of goals each from **Taylor Hall** and DeBrusk, and single tallies from Marchand and **Tyler Bertuzzi**.

Without Krejci and Bergeron, the Bruins trotted out the same lineup as the one that produced a Game 3 victory. That included **Linus Ullmark** in net.

Montgomery, who leans on assistant coach **Bob Essensa** to make his net decisions, said Saturday that **Jeremy Swayman** was an option, given the two off days between Games 4 and 5.

Ullmark, dealing with an undisclosed ailment, made 41 stops Sunday, a day after he was held off the ice. After making 29 saves on 31 shots in Game 3, he acknowledged he was dealing with something, but he didn't sound bothered.

"It felt good," said a smiling Ullmark, who after Game 4 was not made available to discuss his late tussle with Tkachuk. "Had a good night of sleep. Lot of heat. Lot of sun outside."

Sticking with Foligno

Montgomery felt he made the right choice in using **Nick Foligno** in this series. Before returning for Game 1, Foligno hadn't played since Feb. 28, a span of some seven weeks in the press box. But Foligno has made several smart plays with the puck, and he still has some burst in his legs.

"Obviously this time of year, you want to play," Foligno said. "You've got to be ready. I would expect any of these guys to be ready."

Said Montgomery: "I don't see him needing a game off, and I think his game is ramping up. He has gotten significantly better every game, and I only expect him to continue to do so."

The Bruins' fourth line — **Jakub Lauko**-Nosek-**Garnet Hathaway** — has been pressing the issue on the forecheck. Lauko, the fastest of those three, has been asked to "[get] on top of pucks [and use] his speed to put other teams on their heels," Montgomery said, which allows Nosek and Hathaway to do the same.

Foligno, Lauko, Nosek, and Hathaway each earned an assist in the Game 4 win.

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Fight in Ullmark boils over after sticky situation

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all year from their presumptive Vezina Trophy-winning goalie. What they loved was watching Ullmark as the embodiment of how much this playoff run means to all of them, how deeply they all have each other's backs, and how far they believe they can take this playoff journey.

"I love it. He's all in," coach Jim Montgomery said. "As a goalie you're just expected to stop pucks, you're not expected to take stick work and someone coming after you like that. We stick together and we stuck together. I'm proud of how we stuck together."

Ullmark earned his protection Sunday. The Panthers, desperate after losing Game 3 at home Friday night, came out swinging, firing off 10 shots before the Bruins managed one. Ullmark turned them all away, at one point throwing his body into a full-length dive to his left, a sprawl that would have made Tim Thomas proud, of which Montgomery said, "that's a goal, a high end save . . . he allowed us to weather the storm.

"It's amazing how calm I am when I see scrambles in front of the net because he's calm."

Through power plays and breakaways Ullmark kept the clean sheet going, pushing back puck after puck while the Bruins built a 2-0 lead, another of them a highlight reel entry when he made a lightning quick glove save on Gustav Forsling's long-range snipe. The shutout lasted until the 16-minute mark of the second period, when a series of unfortunate events allowed the pesky Tkachuk to tuck a sitting puck just inside the right post. Between a defense that had retreated at the wrong time and a goalie who believed the Panthers had moved the puck to the other post, the damage was done.

Yet it was Ullmark who kept the Bruins in front all game, repeatedly turning Florida away while they dominated the latter half of the second period, taking the final seven shots on the way to a 27-20 shot advantage after two, completing a 32-22 shot advantage in five-on-five play by the time the game was over. The only other blemish came when the Bruins' penalty kill finally surrendered a goal after nine Panther tries this series, and the sequence fell squarely on a defense that couldn't get a clear, leaving Ullmark to fend off shots as if he were the flipper on a pinball machine.

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>
> BRANDON CARLO, *on Linus Ullmark*

"Same thing all year, hasn't changed throughout the entire time, poise and ability to make big saves at key times," Carlo said. "You see him jumping across the crease there, making some other huge saves. He's the backbone of our team."

The backbone indeed, picking up his workload when it matters most, starting his fourth straight game for the first time since the end of October, staking claim to a postseason run he memorably lost after only two playoff games last season. Those back-to-back losses, the first playoff starts of Ullmark's career, prompted then-coach Bruce Cassidy to ride Swayman the rest of the way. After the offseason of change that followed, some unexpected upheaval in the way of a coaching change after that seven-game first-round loss to Carolina, Ullmark flourished in this first season under Montgomery.

That's not to say we won't see Swayman start this postseason. Montgomery is wise to leave the daily decision open for discussion, with no need to give the opposition a hint, and no need to worry about a dropoff. The tandem that backstopped the Bruins to their record-setting regular season could certainly do the same in the playoffs.

But NHL lore is built on the stories of the right goalie getting hot at the right time, and for Ullmark, it would be quite the redemptive plotline, one that only got better with the fight he showed on Sunday.

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NHL playoffs

Eastern Conference

CAROLINA VS. NY ISLANDERS

Hurricanes lead series, 3-1
Monday, April 17
At Carolina 2.....NY Islanders 1
Wednesday, April 19
At Carolina 4.....NY Islanders 3 (OT)
Friday, April 21
At NY Islanders 5.....Carolina 1
Sunday, April 23
Carolina 5.....at NY Islanders 2
Schedule
Tue., Apr. 25 at Carolina.....7
*Fri., Apr. 28 at NY Islanders.....TBA
*Sun., Apr. 30 at Carolina.....TBA

TORONTO VS. TAMPA BAY

Maple Leafs lead series, 2-1
Tuesday, April 18
Tampa Bay 7.....at Toronto 3
Thursday, April 20
At Toronto 7.....Tampa Bay 2
Saturday, April 22
Toronto 4.....at Tampa Bay 3 (OT)
Schedule
Mon., Apr. 24 at Tampa Bay.....7:30
Thu., Apr. 27 at Toronto.....7
*Sat., Apr. 29 at Tampa Bay.....TBA
*Mon., May 1 at Toronto.....TBA

NEW JERSEY VS. NY RANGERS

Rangers lead series, 2-1
Tuesday, April 18
NY Rangers 5.....at New Jersey 1
Thursday, April 20
NY Rangers 5.....at New Jersey 1
Saturday, April 22
New Jersey 2.at NY Rangers 1 (OT)
Schedule
Mon., Apr. 24 at NY Rangers.....7
Thu., Apr. 27 at New Jersey.....7:30
*Sat., Apr. 29 at NY Rangers.....TBA
*Mon., May 1 at New Jersey.....TBA

Western Conference

EDMONTON VS. LOS ANGELES

Kings lead series, 2-1
Monday, April 17
Los Angeles 4...at Edmonton 3 (OT)
Wednesday, April 19
At Edmonton 4.....Los Angeles 2
Friday, April 21
At Los Angeles 3...Edmonton 2 (OT)
Sunday, April 23
Edmonton.....at Los Angeles
Schedule
Tue., Apr. 25 at Edmonton.....9:30
*Sat., Apr. 29 at Los Angeles.....TBA
*Mon., May 1 at Edmonton.....TBA

COLORADO VS. SEATTLE

Avalanche lead series, 2-1
Tuesday, April 18
Seattle 3.....at Colorado 1
Thursday, April 20
At Colorado 3.....Seattle 2
Saturday, April 22
Colorado 6.....at Seattle 4
Schedule
Mon., Apr. 24 at Seattle.....10
Wed., Apr. 26 at Colorado.....9:30
*Fri., Apr. 28 at Seattle.....TBA
*Sun., Apr. 30 at Colorado.....TBA

DALLAS VS. MINNESOTA

Series tied, 2-2
Monday, April 17
Minnesota 3.....at Dallas 2 (2OT)
Wednesday, April 19
At Dallas 7.....Minnesota 3
Friday, April 21
At Minnesota 5.....Dallas 1
Sunday, April 23
Dallas 3.....at Minnesota 2
Schedule
Tue., Apr. 25 at Dallas.....8
Fri., Apr. 28 at Minnesota.....TBA
*Sun., Apr. 30 at Dallas.....TBA

VEGAS VS. WINNIPEG

Golden Knights lead series, 2-1
Tuesday, April 18
Winnipeg 5.....at Vegas 1
Thursday, April 20
At Vegas 5.....Winnipeg 2
Saturday, April 22
Vegas 5.....at Winnipeg 4 (2OT)
Schedule
Mon., Apr. 24 at Winnipeg.....9:30
Thu., Apr. 27 at Vegas.....TBA
*Sat., Apr. 29 at Winnipeg.....TBA
*Mon., May 1 at Vegas.....TBA

* If necessary

NHL NOTEBOOK

Jarvis's two goals drive Hurricanes

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Seth Jarvis scored twice and the Hurricanes snapped an eight-game postseason road losing streak with a 5-2 victory Sunday, pushing the Islanders to the brink of elimination.

Jarvis said the feeling of winning on the road was unbelievable.

"It's nice to win one not on home ice," said the 21-year-old who joined the team last year and didn't win an away contest. "It only helps us. It's not good when you can't win on the road and we win at home. It's nice to take one here and we can go home to Carolina and hopefully end it."

The Hurricanes can wrap up the best-of-seven series in Game 5 Tuesday night in Raleigh, N.C. This was the first game in the series which was not close.

Even the Islanders' 5-1 win in Game 3 on Friday was tied, 1-1, late.

"It means we got a win and we're up 3-1 in the series," said Carolina's **Sebastian Aho**, who added a goal and two assists. "We're just trying to advance to the next round, obviously. It takes four wins and we got one more to go and today was the big one."

Antti Raanta made 27 saves for the Hurricanes. **Martin Necas** and **Mackenzie MacEachern** also scored and **Stefan Noesen** had the primary assist on two power-play goals for the Hurricanes.

"I think it's the first time we scored more than two goals in the streak," Raanta added.

Aho's goal was his record-setting 20th in the postseason with Carolina, breaking the franchise record he shared with **Eric Staal**.

Adam Pelech and **Bo Horvat** scored for the Islanders, who trailed, 4-0, early in the third period. **Ilya Sorokin** made 24 saves, but he had little help on the goals.

Carolina played most of the game without **Jack Drury**, who sustained an upper-body injury early on a boarding call against the Islanders' **Ryan Pulock**.

Hurricanes coach **Rod Brind'Amour** did not have any word on his condition after the game.

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Seth Jarvis beat the Islanders to a loose puck and was off to the races to score one of his Game 4 goals for the Hurricanes.

TYLER SEGUIN
Two power-play goals in win.

Seguin stars for Stars

Tyler Seguin scored two power-play goals and **Jake Oettinger** made 33 saves to help the Stars bounce back from a lopsided loss and beat the Wild, 3-2, in Game 4 in St. Paul, Minn., to even their first-round Western Conference series.

Evgenii Dadonov gave the Stars a 2-0 lead early in the third period just eight seconds after escaping the penalty box, his third goal of the series. **John Klingberg** scored for the Wild less than three minutes later, and Seguin and **Frederick Gaudreau** traded late PPGs.

Both of Seguin's goals followed questionable penalties on the Wild's feisty **Marcus Foligno**.

Minnesota played again without top center **Joel Eriksson Ek** (lower body), who has skated just one shift in the series.

League fines Lafferty

Maple Leafs forward **Sam Lafferty** was fined for cross-checking in Saturday's win over the Lightning, the NHL Department of Player Safety announced. Lafferty was fined $3,108.11, which is the maximum allowable under the league's collective bargaining agreement.

In the second period of Game 3, Lafferty cross-checked Lightning forward **Ross Colton** up high in front of Toronto's goal and received a minor penalty for roughing.

The Maple Leafs had already faced league discipline during the series. Toronto has been without forward **Michael Bunting**, who was suspended three games for an illegal check to the head on Tampa Bay defenseman **Erik Cernak** in Game 1.

Toronto holds a 2-1 lead in the first-round playoff series, with the sides returning to action Monday night in Tampa.

NHL summaries

HURRICANES 5, ISLANDERS 2

Carolina	1	2	2 —	5
NY Islanders	0	0	2 —	2

First period — 1. Carolina, Jarvis 1 (Noesen, Burns), 4:05 (pp). Penalties — Parise, NYI (interference on the goaltender), 2:41. Pulock, NYI (boarding), 3:30. Stastny, Car (slashing), 5:10. Kotkaniemi, Car (roughing), 8:15. Burns, Car (cross check), 8:43. Barzal, NYI (embellishment), 8:43. Martin, NYI (roughing), 20:00.

Second period — 2. Carolina, Necas 1 (Noesen, Aho), 1:15 (pp). 3. Carolina, Aho 2 (MacEachern), 13:30. Penalties — Nelson, NYI (interference), 6:02. MacEachern, Car (holding), 16:46.

Third period — 4. Carolina, Jarvis 2 (Aho, Pesce), 1:20. 5. NY Islanders, Pelech 1 (Nelson), 3:14. 6. Carolina, MacEachern 1 (Skjei), 14:01. 7. NY Islanders, Horvat 1 (Mayfield), 17:57. Penalties — Clutterbuck, NYI, served by Fasching (roughing), 16:34. Clutterbuck, NYI (misconduct), 16:34. MacEachern, Car (roughing), 19:43. Martin, NYI (roughing), 19:43.

Shots on goal — Carolina 7-12-10 — 29. NY Islanders 9-9-11 — 29.

Power plays — Carolina 2-5; NY Islanders 0-3.

Goalies — Carolina, Raanta 3-1-0 (29 shots-27 saves). NY Islanders, Sorokin 1-3-0 (29 shots-24 saves).

Referees — Wes McCauley, Frederick L'Ecuyer. Linesmen — Kiel Murchison, Libor Suchanek.

A — 17,255 (17,113). T — 2:36.

STARS 3, WILD 2

Dallas	0	1	2 —	3
Minnesota	0	0	2 —	2

First period — None. Penalties — None.

Second period — 1. Dallas, Seguin 2 (Hintz, Robertson), 15:42 (pp). Penalties — Steel, Min (hi stick), 1:46. Heiskanen, Dal (cross check), 12:03. Foligno, Min (interference), 14:53. Harley, Dal (roughing), 18:21.

Third period — 2. Dallas, Dadonov 3 (Hintz, Lindell), 3:05. 3. Minnesota, Klingberg 1 (Zuccarello, Hartman), 5:58. 4. Dallas, Seguin 3 (Benn, Hintz), 16:29 (pp). 5. Minnesota, Gaudreau 2 (Boldy, Klingberg), 18:40 (pp). Penalties — Dadonov, Dal (interference), 0:57. Foligno, Min (tripping), 15:11. Hartman, Min (misconduct), 16:29. Hakanpaa, Dal (tripping), 18:27.

Shots on goal — Dallas 8-11-5 — 24. Minnesota 9-14-11 — 34.

Power plays — Dallas 2-3; Minnesota 1-4.

Goalies — Dallas, Oettinger 2-2-0 (34 shots-32 saves). Minnesota, Gustavsson 2-1-0 (24 shots-21 saves).

Referees — Kevin Pollock, Garrett Rank. Linesmen — Michel Cormier, Devin Berg.

A — 19,331 (18,064). T — 2:29.

AVALANCHE 6, KRAKEN 4

Saturday night game

Colorado	2	1	3 —	6
Seattle	1	2	1 —	4

First period — 1. Seattle, Schwartz 1 (Schultz, Wennberg), 6:08. 2. Colorado, Compher 1 (Makar, Lehkonen), 16:07. 3. Colorado, MacKinnon 1 (Rantanen, Toews), 19:15. Penalties — Meyers, Col (slashing), 2:30. Soucy, Sea (slashing), 12:49. Girard, Col (interference), 15:46. McCann, Sea (tripping), 18:49. Makar, Col (tripping), 18:59.

Second period — 4. Colorado, Makar 1 (Newhook), 4:33. 5. Seattle, Oleksiak 1 (Gourde, Bjorkstrand), 12:51. 6. Seattle, Beniers 1 (McCann, Eberle), 13:10. Penalties — Tolvanen, Sea (slashing), 9:29. , Col, served by Malgin (too many men on ice), 17:30.

Third period — 7. Colorado, Rantanen 2 (Toews), 3:01. 8. Colorado, MacKinnon 2 (Byram, Rodrigues), 4:29. 9. Colorado, Rantanen 3 (Lehkonen), 17:46 (en). 10. Seattle, Schwartz 2 (Schultz), 19:20 (pp). Penalties — O'Connor, Col (slashing), 7:52. MacKinnon, Col (cross check), 19:16.

Shots on goal — Colorado 11-15-8 — 34. Seattle 11-8-10 — 29.

Power plays — Colorado 0-3; Seattle 1-6.

Goalies — Colorado, Georgiev 2-1-0 (29 shots-25 saves). Seattle, Grubauer 1-2-0 (33 shots-28 saves).

Referees — Jean Hebert, Kyle Rehman. Linesmen — Jonny Murray, Travis Gawryletz.

A — 17,151 (17,100). T — 2:33.

NBA PLAYOFFS CELTICS VS. HAWKS

Tatum, Brown embraced moment

GARY WASHBURN
ON BASKETBALL

ATLANTA — When it was over, with the job done Sunday, Jayson Tatum and Jaylen Brown were a few feet apart ready to conduct postgame interviews, and they embraced. They are brothers in this effort to return to the NBA Finals. They have been chasing the crown for years, and this year may be their best chance and they have to be great when the moments call for greatness.

Such was the case in Game 4 in the first-round series against the Hawks. The Celtics were holding on to a precarious 5-point lead entering the final period. They toyed with putting the Hawks away all evening but just couldn't, and Atlanta was making another run.

As the Celtics walked into the State Farm Arena floor for that final period, it was undeniable what needed to occur over the next 12 minutes for victory. Brown and Tatum needed to be at their best. They needed to be better than counterparts Trae Young and Dejounte Murray.

The Celtics' duo lifted their team when it mattered most, starting with back-to-back buckets to increase the lead to 10, and then they took turns thrusting daggers into the Hawks' hopes of tying the series. Brown and Tatum combined for 28 of Boston's 37 fourth-quarter points as the Celtics prevailed, 129-121.

The cornerstones picked up their games at different moments for different reasons. Brown broke his cheekbone Feb. 8 in a collision with Tatum and has been wearing a black protective mask since. Although he grew more comfortable with the fit in recent weeks, he decided to ditch the mask for the second half.

JIM DAVIS/GLOBE STAFF

Jaylen Brown didn't have much luck with his mask on. "As soon as I took it off, things started to turn around," said Brown, who scored 31 points.

"As soon as I took it off, things started to turn around," Brown said. "Today I just needed something different. I didn't know what it was."

The result was a more aggressive Brown; he fearlessly attacked the rim, scoring buckets or drawing fouls. For Tatum, it was two moments that fueled him: a head blow to the stomach by Atlanta's Bogdan Bogdanovic, where Tatum pointedly asked him, "What the [bleep] are you doing?"

And then a flagrant foul by Young with 7 minutes and 28 seconds left in the third quarter, in which Tatum rose quickly as if he was ready to retaliate, but then marched past Young to the free throw line.

"I wasn't mad, I know I looked like it," Tatum said. "I just wanted to scare them a little bit."

Tatum and Brown reacted to the challenge of the Hawks by producing their best stretches of the series. Game 3 proved the Hawks are no slouches and this wouldn't be a cakewalk series. The Celtics led for the final 44:18 in Game 4 but couldn't build the lead beyond 14 points and the Hawks cut the deficit to 5 with 4:11 left.

Brown responded by attacking the basket consecutive times, sucking in the defender and finding Robert Williams open twice at the rim. Tatum then added a pair of free throws and a 33-footer with 2:05 left to seal the win.

"I think this was a great win for us," Brown said. "This was our first road test [in the playoffs]. Give credit to the Hawks, they came out and fought, especially in these last two home games. Some of the game plan stuff just goes out of the window. You've got to win your matchup. You've got to fight. You've got to rebound and it turns from a basketball game to a dogfight."

On the hug with Tatum, Brown said: "We were just celebrating that moment."

As the playoffs progress, the Celtics are going to need excellence from Tatum and Brown in these clutch moments. Tatum took responsibility for the Game 3 loss because of a couple of missed shots and lack of offensive execution in the final minutes.

On Sunday, he wasn't as efficient scoring (8-for-20 shooting) but added three blocked shots and a couple of key rebounds as the Celtics won the rebounding battle after being trounced in Game 3. The Celtics stars made star plays when they needed to take control of this series.

"Those two guys have been around a long time and been through a lot of games," Celtics coach Joe Mazzulla said. "So as long as they feel the support and are empowered and the accountability, I thought both of them took a stance defensively and decided to play and have a positive impact on both sides. When they do it on both ends, we're dynamic.

"It sets the tone for our other guys. It just sets a level of connectivity. If you want to win, you have to do that. More often than not they do, but tonight they drew a line in the sand."

The Celtics have enough depth that Brown and Tatum don't need to carry them every night, but they have to be at their best when that's required. The Celtics were clinging to a lead and didn't want to extend the series any more than it is already.

The top-seeded Milwaukee Bucks are struggling with the Miami Heat while Joel Embiid's knee issues may hamper him for the next series.

The path to the Finals is beginning to clear for the Celtics and they want to avoid a lengthy first-round series, and with Tatum and Brown, that likely won't happen.

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Celtics overcome maladies, win with a sense of urgency

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With the conference semifinals against the Bucks tied, 2-2, they dropped Game 5 at TD Garden before winning the next two games. And when they held a 3-2 lead over the Heat in the conference finals they lost at home in Game 6, forcing them to win on the road. This situation is not that tense, but Tatum wants to ensure it stays that way.

"Damn near going there with the mind-set that we're down 3-1 and we've got to win than thinking it's over and they're going to give up," Tatum said, "because they're not."

As if the Celtics needed more incentive, the NBA provided some with a release late Sunday night. If Boston wins Tuesday, its conference semifinals matchup against the 76ers will start Saturday. If the Hawks win to force a Game 6, the series against Philadelphia would be delayed until Monday.

That's significant, because 76ers star Joel Embiid, who likely will be named league MVP in the coming weeks, is dealing with a knee sprain that could keep him out for the start of the series.

The Hawks, meanwhile, appeared feeble when they were throttled by Boston in the first two games of this first-round matchup. But they stormed to a win in Game 3 and battled throughout Game 4 before falling just short.

Now, there is a chance they could be alarmingly shorthanded for Game 4. After the final buzzer Sunday, star guard Dejounte Murray got into the face of referee Gediminas Petraitis and made a head-butt motion. Murray's chest made contact with Petraitis's shoulder, and the situation surely will be reviewed by the league office.

The loss of Murray, who is averaging 25.3 points, 7.3 rebounds, and 5.8 assists in this series, would likely be fateful for Atlanta, which might not have much of a chance even if he is available.

Brown and Tatum finished with 31 points apiece to lead the Celtics Sunday. Brown, who has mostly shined since first donning the mask in early February, was 1 for 7 in his disjointed start before deciding he needed to change something.

So he shed the mask and also removed the protective cover on his right hand that recently needed five stitches to mend a laceration.

He closed the game by making 11 of 15 shots and had a pair of key assists to Robert Williams during the defining moments of the fourth quarter.

"Maybe it was all in my head," Brown said. "I just needed a different look. I just felt like to start the game I didn't like the looks that I got so I just needed something to switch it up a little bit. And as soon as I took it off things started to turn around."

Smart said his back tightened up several times during the game and he treated it with heating pads, but there were no signs that anything was amiss. He continued to attack without fear and throw his body around as if he was in a bouncy house. He finished with 19 points and four assists.

"When he plays with that level of control and pace," Mazzulla said, "it really helps."

The Hawks have battered the Celtics on the glass at times in this series, and on Sunday Mazzulla leaned more heavily on double-big lineups featuring Robert Williams and Al Horford. The duo combined for 26 rebounds, with Williams adding 13 points in a particularly impactful night off the bench.

"[Mazzulla has] been challenging all of us to bring it with the physicality," Williams said. "He's just letting me know, that's why they pay me."

Despite these performances, and Boston's 51.7 percent shooting, the Hawks remained formidable for most of the night.

Trae Young had 35 points and 15 assists, and after Atlanta fell behind by 14 in the first half, Young helped keep his team close enough to make another upset seem possible.

Atlanta pulled within 109-104 on a Murray floater with 4:11 left. But Brown calmly found Williams for layups on consecutive possessions, helping the Celtics stretch their lead to 115-106.

After the Celtics nearly turned the ball over, Tatum chased it down in the backcourt and drilled a deep 3-pointer just before the shot-clock expired, helping close out the win.

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Celtics vs. Hawks

Boston leads series, 3-1
Saturday, April 15
At Boston 112 ..... Atlanta 99
Tuesday, April 18
At Boston 119 ..... Atlanta 106
Friday, April 21
At Atlanta 130 ..... Boston 122
Sunday, April 23
Boston 129 ..... at Atlanta 121
Schedule
Tuesday at Boston ..... 7:30 (TNT, NBCSB)
*Thursday at Atlanta ..... TBA (NBCSB)
*Saturday at Boston .... TBA (TNT, NBCSB)

* If necessary

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Celtics guard Marcus Smart didn't show any ill effects from a sore tailbone, scoring 19 points and sparking several runs, which included this slam dunk to end the third quarter.

Ref bump might force Murray out of Game 5

By Nicole Yang
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ATLANTA — Hawks guard Dejounte Murray bumped into a referee in the final moments of Game 4 on Sunday night, putting his status for Tuesday's Game 5 in jeopardy.

As the clock expired, finalizing Boston's 129-121 victory, Murray went over to speak to umpire Gediminas Petraitis on his way off the court. Murray leaned close into Petraitis's face, his chest bumping into the official's shoulder.

According to NBA rules, "any player or coach guilty of intentional physical contact with an official shall automatically be suspended without pay for one game. A fine and/or longer period of suspension will result if circumstances so dictate."

Petraitis did not appear to say anything to Murray during the interaction. After passing Petraitis on his route to the locker room, Murray turned around to yell and point in the direction of referee Tyler Ford. Two members of Hawks personnel guided Murray off the court.

Earlier this season, the league suspended Celtics forward Grant Williams one game for "recklessly making contact with and directing inappropriate language toward a game official."

If Murray is suspended, the Hawks, down 3-1 in their first-round playoff series against the Celtics, will face elimination without one of their primary sources of offense. Murray is averaging 25.2 points during the series on 45.6 percent shooting.

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Celtics 129, Hawks 121

EASTERN CONFERENCE FIRST ROUND, GAME 4
Sunday, April 23, 2023, at State Farm Arena, Atlanta

Boston

		TIME	FGM-A	3PM-A	FTM-A	OREB	DREB	REB	AST	BLK	STL	TO	PF	+/-	PTS
Jaylen Brown	F	42:28	12-22	3-4	4-5	1	3	4	3	0	0	2	4	+6	31
Jayson Tatum	F	38:47	8-20	4-13	11-12	0	7	7	4	3	0	3	2	+13	31
Al Horford	C	34:01	0-2	0-2	0-0	3	8	11	5	0	2	2	3	+17	0
Derrick White	G	31:31	7-14	4-9	0-0	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	3	+7	18
Marcus Smart	G	29:22	8-14	3-8	0-0	2	2	4	4	0	0	2	4	0	19
Robert Williams		28:53	4-5	0-0	5-6	3	12	15	3	2	2	2	5	+1	13
Malcolm Brogdon		22:37	6-10	1-2	1-2	0	4	4	4	0	0	3	1	+5	14
Sam Hauser		9:55	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	+1	3
Mike Muscala		1:17	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-3	0
Grant Williams		0:56	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
Payton Pritchard		0:13	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-3	0
Totals			46-89	16-40	21-25	9	40	49	25	5	4	16	23		129
			51.7%	40.0%	84.0%			Team: 4				11 pts.			

Atlanta

		TIME	FGM-A	3PM-A	FTM-A	OREB	DREB	REB	AST	BLK	STL	TO	PF	+/-	PTS
John Collins	F	24:49	1-9	1-5	2-2	0	5	5	1	1	0	1	2	-4	5
De'Andre Hunter	F	40:24	11-17	3-6	2-2	2	5	7	2	1	1	1	3	-11	27
Clint Capela	C	29:32	3-6	0-0	4-4	3	4	7	0	1	2	3	2	0	10
Dejounte Murray	G	39:50	9-20	4-8	1-1	2	7	9	6	1	1	3	4	-16	23
Trae Young	G	40:33	11-26	4-10	9-11	0	3	3	15	0	2	1	2	0	35
Saddiq Bey		21:25	2-7	0-3	1-1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	-2	5
Onyeka Okongwu		18:28	2-4	0-0	2-3	3	1	4	0	0	1	3	5	-8	6
Bogdan Bogdanovic		19:16	3-8	2-5	0-0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	6	-3	8
Jalen Johnson		5:43	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	+4	2
Totals			43-98	14-37	21-24	11	31	42	25	4	8	12	24		121
			43.9%	37.8%	87.5%			Team: 10				12 pts.			

Flagrant fouls: Young, 7:28/3rd.

	1	2	3	4		T
Boston	**35**	**30**	**27**	**37**	—	**129**
Atlanta	**25**	**28**	**34**	**34**	—	**121**

Attendance: 19,144 (105.6% of 18,729). Time of game: 2:28. Officials: Zach Zarba, Tyler Ford, Gediminas Petraitis.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Brogdon bristles at boos from Atlanta fans

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CELTICS NOTEBOOK

ATLANTA — Celtics guard **Malcolm Brogdon** is a proud Atlanta native who lives there in the offseason and remains committed to the community. Before Game 3 of his team's playoff series against the Celtics on Friday, though, he took a mild jab at a fan base that is not known as one of the league's fiercest.

"I mean, historically, these fans haven't been the most dedicated," he said, smiling. "And that's myself included, coming up. I was always an NBA fan, but not Hawks specifically."

These comments eventually made their way to Hawks fans, and Brogdon was serenaded with boos during Game 3. This is hardly unusual during a tense playoff series, of course. But for Brogdon, a proud son of Atlanta who has never really been good enough or sinister enough to be a target of opposing fan bases, it stung a bit. So before Sunday's Game 4, Brogdon asked the city for a mulligan.

"It definitely hurts," he said. "I think it's part of the game. I think there are going to be times when stuff like that happens. You get booed. But when I'm at home I want to be embraced, I want to be loved. I was born and raised here. This city raised me, and I love this city back. So, it's all love."

Brogdon recalled attending a Hawks playoff game as a fan early in Celtics center **Al Horford's** career with the Hawks.

"I just wanted to show them that I love this city," Brogdon said. "At the end of the day I love the people, love the fans here. This is home for me. They've always embraced me. I want them to continue to do that, because I'm going to continue to rep this city, love this city, do good work in this city no matter what."

On Sunday, Hawks fans were either unaware of or unmoved by Brogdon's mea culpa, as the boos returned.

76ers sit in wait

The 76ers advanced to the conference semifinals by completing their sweep against the Nets on Saturday and await the winner of the Celtics/Hawks series.

The Celtics have motivation to end their first-round matchup as quickly as possible since 76ers star and likely MVP **Joel Embiid** is dealing with a knee sprain. But Brogdon stressed the Celtics must focus on their own situation.

"It's a lot less about Philadelphia, I think, more so building good habits and making sure that we are playing the way we want to play going into that series, no matter how many games it takes," he said. "Of course you want to play shorter games to make sure you have more rest and Philly's not that much more rested. But at the same time, we're focused on doing things the right way and making sure we're fully prepared mentally and physically."

If Boston is able to close out Atlanta in five games, the Boston-Philadelphia series will start on Saturday. The rest of the Eastern Conference semifinals would be played May 1, 5, and 7, and, if needed, the 9, 11, and 14.

However, if the Boston-Atlanta series reaches six or seven games, the second-round series would start on Monday, May 1, and include games on May 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, and 14.

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The Hawks' John Collins couldn't find much room to maneuver against the defense of Celtics Malcolm Brogdon (center) and Robert Williams.

Tripleheader sweep on the road, no less

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lead was in the fourth minute (11-9), which means the Hawks have not led for a single second of the final three quarters in three of the four games of the series.

Boston led by 32 in Game 1, by 22 in Game 2, and by 9 in Friday's Game 3 loss in Atlanta. The Celtics' biggest lead Sunday was a mere 14 points, but it never felt like the Hawks could really threaten.

"We knew it wasn't going to be easy," Jayson Tatum told NBC Sports Boston. "They got a good team. We just have to suck it up like we did tonight."

The Jays (Tatum and Brown) submitted bookend 31-point efforts and were fortified by a monstrous 29 minutes off the bench from Robert Williams III. The Time Lord was a backboard-eating force at both ends, snatching 15 rebounds and blocking two shots to go along with his 13 points. He is truly a difference-maker.

Trust me when I tell you that none of the TVs in the Atlanta press room were tuned into the B's or Red Sox when the Hawks and Celtics were getting taped for Sunday's early evening joust (lucky this wasn't Georgia's spring football scrimmage or we'd have had no TV access to NBA action either). Fortunately, through the magic of live streaming, hardcore New Englanders were able to monitor the progress of Boston teams playing in Florida and Milwaukee.

In this spirit, we saw Masataka Yoshida rounding the bases in the Sox' 12-5 romp at the exact moment that Jake DeBrusk potted a power-play goal to give the Bruins a 2-0 Game 4 lead over the Panthers.

And as we all knew . . . there was no way the Celtics could lose to the 41-41 Hawks a second time. Right?

Friday's stunning Celtic loss was still on folks' minds in the hours before Game 4. The Hawks shot an astounding 56 percent in Game 3, their best in a playoff game since Dominique Wilkins roamed the Omni floorboards back in 1988.

"I think we're going to see a really, really competitive game," said Atlanta coach Quin Snyder. "They are a terrific team, hard to guard."

It was competitive. Kind of. Trae Young rallied for 35 points, De'Andre Hunter had 27 and Dejounte Murray 23, but the young bucks simply don't have enough to overtake Boston's stars. This entire series reminds me of the older brother-younger brother sparring in the back yard. The older brother places his hand on the forehead of the little bro and lets the kid wear himself out with wild swings that never connect. It's not really a contest.

It should be noted that Brown ditched his Zorro mask early in Game 4 after making only 1 of 7 shots. JB made 11 of 15 shots after shucking the mask. "Maybe it was all in my head," said Brown. "I took it off and started to turn things around a little bit."

Meanwhile, rookie coach Joe Mazzulla continues to go with an eight-man core. He got zero points, but 11 rebounds from Al Horford and 14 (Malcolm Brogdon), 18 (Derrick White), and 19 (Marcus Smart) from his three guards.

"This is possibly our last chance at having this opportunity," said Smart. "Last year [six-game loss to the Warriors in the Finals] taught us that."

If the Celtics finish the Hawks Tuesday, they are slotted to play Round 2 against the Philadelphia 76ers, who swept Brooklyn, but lost MVP-candidate center Joel Embiid with an ankle injury in Game 3.

Boston-Philly should be a good series and probably will start Saturday at the Garden if the Celts take care of business. It is unclear when Embiid will be ready, but I'm betting the big fella is on the floor for Game 1.

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Celtics big man Robert Williams (44) was ready at the rim in Game 4, grabbing 15 rebounds in 29 minutes.

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Jalen Brunson and the Knicks leads the Cavs, 3-1.

Eastern Conference

PHILADELPHIA VS. BROOKLYN

76ers win series, 4-0
Saturday, April 15
At Philadelphia 121.....Brooklyn 101
Monday, April 17
At Philadelphia 96.....Brooklyn 84
Thursday, April 20
Philadelphia 102.....at Brooklyn 97
Saturday, April 22
Philadelphia 96.....at Brooklyn 88

MILWAUKEE VS. MIAMI

Heat lead series, 2-1
Sunday, April 16
Miami 130.....at Milwaukee 117
Wednesday, April 19
At Milwaukee 138.....Miami 122
Saturday, April 22
At Miami 121.....Milwaukee 99
Schedule
Mon., Apr. 24 at Miami.....7:30
Wed., Apr. 26 at Milwaukee.....9:30
*Fri., Apr. 28 at Miami.....TBA
*Sun., Apr. 30 at Milwaukee.....TBA

CLEVELAND VS. NEW YORK

Knicks lead series, 3-1
Saturday, April 15
New York 101.....at Cleveland 97
Tuesday, April 18
At Cleveland 107.....New York 90
Friday, April 21
At New York 99.....Cleveland 79
Sunday, April 23
At New York 102.....Cleveland 93
Schedule
Wed., Apr. 26 at Cleveland.....7
*Fri., Apr. 28 at New York.....TBA
*Sun., Apr. 30 at Cleveland.....TBA

Western Conference

SACRAMENTO VS. GOLDEN STATE

Series tied, 2-2
Saturday, April 15
At Sacramento 126.....GS 123
Monday, April 17
At Sacramento 114.....GS 106
Thursday, April 20
At GS 114.....Sacramento 97
Sunday, April 23
At GS 126.....Sacramento 125
Schedule
Wed., Apr. 26 at Sacramento.....10
Fri., Apr. 28 at Golden State.....TBA
*Sun., Apr. 30 at Sacramento....TBA

MEMPHIS VS. LA LAKERS

Lakers lead series, 2-1
Sunday, April 16
LA Lakers 128.....at Memphis 112
Wednesday, April 19
At Memphis 103.....LA Lakers 93
Saturday, April 22
At LA Lakers 111.....Memphis 101
Schedule
Mon., Apr. 24 at LA Lakers.....10
Wed., Apr. 26 at Memphis.....7:30
*Fri., Apr. 28 at LA Lakers.....TBA
*Sun., Apr. 30 at Memphis.....TBA

PHOENIX VS. LA CLIPPERS

Suns lead series, 3-1
Sunday, April 16
LA Clippers 115.....at Phoenix 110
Tuesday, April 18
At Phoenix 123.....LA Clippers 109
Thursday, April 20
Phoenix 129.....at LA Clippers 124
Saturday, April 22
Phoenix 112.....at LA Clippers 100
Schedule
Tue., Apr. 25 at Phoenix.....10
*Thu., Apr. 27 at LA Clippers.....TBA
*Sat., Apr. 29 at Phoenix.....TBA

DENVER VS. MINNESOTA

Nuggets lead series, 3-0
Sunday, April 16
At Denver 109.....Minnesota 80
Wednesday, April 19
At Denver 122.....Minnesota 113
Friday, April 21
Denver 120.....at Minnesota 111
Sunday, April 23
Denver.....at Minnesota
Schedule
*Tue., Apr. 25 at Denver.....9
*Thu., Apr. 27 at Minnesota.....TBA
*Sat., Apr. 29 at Denver.....TBA

* If necessary

NBA NOTEBOOK

Knicks on verge of advancing

ASSOCIATED PRESS

The New York Knicks have had so few chances to join the NBA postseason party that they might forget the real fun hasn't even started yet.

"There's nothing to celebrate," **Jalen Brunson** said. "There's nothing to be truly happy about."

One more win and that changes.

Brunson scored 29 points, **RJ Barrett** had 26, and the Knicks took a 3-1 lead over the Cleveland Cavaliers in their first-round series with a 102-93 victory in New York on Sunday.

Josh Hart moved into the starting lineup and added 19 points and seven rebounds for the fifth-seeded Knicks, who can reach the second round for the first time since 2013 with a victory in Cleveland on Wednesday. New York would host Game 6, if necessary, on Friday at what has been a deafening Madison Square Garden during the last two games.

"There's nothing like a big game at the Garden," Knicks coach **Tom Thibodeau** said.

There might be a few more to come, the way his team is defending.

New York forced Cleveland All-Star **Donovan Mitchell** into one of the worst games of his postseason career, finishing with just 11 points on 5-for-18 shooting. **Darius Garland** had 23 points and 10 assists for the Cavs, bouncing back nicely after going 4 for 21 in the Knicks' Game 3 romp. **Jarrett Allen** and **Caris LeVert** each scored 14 points.

"This [is] not over with," Mitchell said. "The way we lost [stinks]. We can't hang our heads and ultimately give up. We're not that type of group. Like I said, we'll be ready for Game 5."

Warriors tie series

Stephen Curry scored 32 points but gave Sacramento a late chance when he called a timeout Golden State didn't have, and the defending champion Warriors held on to beat the Kings, 126-125, when **Harrison Barnes** missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer, evening their playoff series at two games apiece.

De'Aaron Fox had 38 points, 9 rebounds, and 5 assists for Sacramento. His 3-pointer with 28.7 seconds left pulled the Kings within 1, and then Curry missed a 16-foot jumper on the other end and **Keegan Murray** corralled the rebound. With Curry and **Draymond Green** defending, Fox dished to Barnes, a former Warrior, for the potential game-winning three, which hit the back of the rim.

Golden State led, 126-121, with 42.4 seconds left when Curry called the excessive timeout, and **Malik Monk** made the technical free throw for Sacramento.

Klay Thompson made a baseline 3-pointer to beat the third-quarter buzzer and another with 3:24 left, finishing with 26 points for the Warriors.

Green came off the bench after serving a one-game suspension while the Warriors dominated Thursday's Game 3 without him. Given the momentum and success, coach **Steve Kerr** stuck with **Jordan Poole** in the starting five Sunday.

Green checked in to a rousing ovation with 6:38 left in the first quarter and wound up with 12 points, 10 rebounds, and 7 assists.

Oladipo out again

The Miami Heat announced that guard **Victor Oladipo** tore his left patellar tendon, a diagnosis that came after an MRI. The injury ends Oladipo's season and calls his availability for the start of next season — and likely beyond — into serious doubt. He will need a third major surgery in just over four years, the previous two coming after a quadriceps injury over his right knee.

No timetable will likely be known until after the surgery.

Oladipo's is the second significant injury for the Heat in the first three games of this postseason against Milwaukee. Eighth-seeded Miami holds a 2-1 lead over the top-seeded Bucks going into Game 4 on Monday night. **Tyler Herro** was lost for at least six weeks, which likely means the rest of the season no matter how far Miami advances, when he broke his right hand in Game 1 at Milwaukee.

Brooks blames rep

Memphis agitator **Dillon Brooks** believes his image as an NBA villain contributed to the decision to eject him from Game 3 of the Grizzlies' playoff series with the Los Angeles Lakers after he struck **LeBron James** in the groin.

Brooks said his flagrant foul 2 was an accident, and he believes his reputation in the media and among the basketball public were factors in his ejection from the third quarter of Memphis' 111-101 loss Saturday night.

"The media making me a villain, the fans making me a villain and then that just creates a whole different persona on me," Brooks told reporters after the Grizzlies' off-day shootaround at USC's Galen Center.

Brooks struck James just 17 seconds into the second half, and he was ejected after a brief video review Brooks' teammates tried to argue after the game that Brooks' flagrant foul had been unintentional.

Brooks was ejected from a game for the third time this season, delighting a Lakers home crowd that had been booing his every move since pregame warmups.

He did not receive a suspension for the act.

NBA playoffs box scores

KNICKS 102, CAVALIERS 93

CLEVELAND

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
E.Mobley	35	5-8	2-2	3-7	3	6	12
LeVert	39	4-10	4-5	2-9	2	2	14
Allen	40	7-11	0-0	1-4	0	1	14
Mitchell	42	5-18	1-2	0-4	5	4	11
Garland	36	9-16	3-3	0-2	10	4	23
Osman	21	2-5	5-7	0-5	2	3	10
Rubio	6	0-0	0-0	1-2	2	1	0
Okoro	17	4-9	0-0	0-0	0	1	9
Green	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals		36-77	15-19	7-33	24	23	93

FG%: .468, FT%: .789. 3-pt. goals: 6-23, .261 (LeVert 2-6, Mitchell 0-4, Garland 2-4, Osman 1-4, Okoro 1-5). Team rebounds: 9. Team turnovers: 13 (16 pts.). Blocks: 5 (E.Mobley 2, LeVert, Okoro 2). Turnovers: 12 (E.Mobley 2, LeVert, Allen, Mitchell 6, Osman, Rubio). Steals: 3 (LeVert, Allen, Mitchell).

NEW YORK

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Randle	27	3-10	1-3	0-2	1	1	7
Barrett	37	9-18	8-13	0-2	1	2	26
Robinson	27	5-7	2-3	7-11	1	2	12
Hart	40	7-16	4-5	2-7	2	2	19
Brunson	43	11-22	2-2	2-6	6	1	29
Toppin	20	2-5	0-0	5-8	1	1	5
Quickley	19	0-4	0-0	0-2	1	1	0
Hartenstein	21	0-1	1-2	1-8	2	5	1
McBride	5	1-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	3
Totals		38-84	18-28	17-47	15	15	102

FG%: .452, FT%: .643. 3-pt. goals: 8-29, .276 (Randle 0-4, Barrett 0-6, Hart 1-4, Brunson 5-9, Toppin 1-3, Quickley 0-2, McBride 1-1). Team rebounds: 12. Team turnovers: 14 (13 pts.). Blocks: 7 (Randle, Barrett, Robinson 2, Brunson, Hartenstein 2). Turnovers: 10 (Randle, Hart 3, Brunson 4, Hartenstein 2). Steals: 5 (Hart 2, Brunson, Hartenstein 2).

Cleveland	23	22	26	22	—	93
New York	30	24	19	29	—	102

A — 19,812 (19,763). T — 2:22. Officials — Scott Foster, Tre Maddox, Kevin Cutler.

REGULAR-SEASON LEADERS

SCORING

	FG	FT	Pts.	PPG
Embiid, PHI	728	661	2183	33.1
Doncic, DAL	719	515	2138	32.4

WARRIORS 126, KINGS 125

SACRAMENTO

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Barnes	31	3-11	2-2	0-3	1	2	9
Murray	33	9-13	0-0	2-7	1	3	23
Sabonis	37	7-13	0-0	2-7	8	4	14
Huerter	21	1-4	0-0	0-3	2	1	2
Fox	40	14-31	6-8	3-9	5	4	38
Mitchell	27	5-8	1-1	1-1	1	1	12
Monk	28	5-14	4-4	0-5	5	2	16
Lyles	12	2-5	0-1	2-4	2	1	5
Len	11	2-3	2-2	2-5	0	3	6
Edwards	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals		48-102	15-18	12-44	25	21	125

FG%: .471, FT%: .833. 3-pt. goals: 14-35, .400 (Barnes 1-6, Murray 5-7, Huerter 0-1, Fox 4-11, Mitchell 1-2, Monk 2-5, Lyles 1-3). Team rebounds: 9. Team turnovers: 10 (15 pts.). Blocks: 3 (Sabonis 2, Huerter). Turnovers: 10 (Sabonis 2, Fox 3, Mitchell, Monk 3, Len). Steals: 5 (Sabonis, Fox, Mitchell, Monk 2). Technicals: Fox, 5:43/1st.

GOLDEN STATE

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Wiggins	38	7-12	3-4	2-8	3	3	18
Thompson	39	9-15	4-4	0-2	3	1	26
Looney	32	4-5	0-0	2-14	6	4	8
Poole	26	8-15	4-5	0-2	4	2	22
Curry	43	11-22	5-5	0-5	4	3	32
Kuminga	3	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
D.Green	31	3-14	6-6	4-10	7	4	12
DiVincenzo	16	1-3	0-0	0-2	4	1	3
Moody	5	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	3
Payton II	7	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	2
Totals		45-90	22-24	8-44	31	19	126

FG%: .500, FT%: .917. 3-pt. goals: 14-34, .412 (Wiggins 1-2, Thompson 4-9, Poole 2-6, Curry 5-11, D.Green 0-2, DiVincenzo 1-2, Moody 1-1, Payton II 0-1). Team rebounds: 7. Team turnovers: 12 (18 pts.). Blocks: 6 (Wiggins 4, Looney, D.Green). Turnovers: 11 (Wiggins 3, Thompson 2, Looney 2, Poole 2, Curry, D.Green). Steals: 8 (Wiggins 2, Thompson, Looney, Poole, Curry, D.Green, DiVincenzo). Technicals: D.Green, 5:43/1st, Poole, 6:00/4th.

Sacramento	32	37	23	33	—	125
Golden State	31	34	37	24	—	126

A — 18,064 (18,064). T — 2:31. Officials — Josh Tiven, James Williams, Pat Fraher.

LAKERS 111, GRIZZLIES 101

Saturday night game

MEMPHIS

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Brooks	19	3-13	0-1	1-2	0	2	7
Jackson Jr.	32	4-12	4-4	2-5	0	4	13
Tillman	39	3-5	0-0	4-12	2	3	6
Bane	33	7-14	1-1	1-5	2	3	18
Morant	42	13-26	13-14	3-9	13	2	45
Aldama	11	2-7	0-0	1-2	0	3	6
Kennard	25	2-4	0-0	2-3	3	2	4
Jones	17	0-7	0-0	2-4	3	0	0
Roddy	13	1-4	0-0	2-4	0	1	2
Konchar	9	0-1	0-0	0-4	0	2	0
Totals		35-93	18-20	18-50	23	22	101

FG%: .376, FT%: .900. 3-pt. goals: 13-39, .333 (Brooks 1-5, Jackson Jr. 1-3, Bane 3-7, Morant 6-10, Aldama 2-4, Kennard 0-1, Jones 0-5, Roddy 0-3, Konchar 0-1). Team rebounds: 4. Team turnovers: 18 (26 pts.). Blocks: 2 (Tillman 2). Turnovers: 18 (Brooks, Jackson Jr. 6, Bane 4, Morant 3, Aldama, Jones 2, Roddy). Steals: 7 (Brooks, Jackson Jr. 2, Tillman, Bane, Kennard, Konchar). Technicals: . Flagrant fouls: Brooks, 11:43/3rd. Ejections: Brooks, 11:43/3rd.

LA LAKERS

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Vanderbilt	21	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	5	0
James	36	10-20	5-7	2-9	5	3	25
Davis	39	11-24	8-10	4-17	2	3	31
Reaves	35	5-10	2-3	4-6	2	2	13
Russell	31	5-14	5-5	1-4	7	1	17
Schroder	24	3-6	0-0	0-1	3	1	7
Beasley	13	0-2	0-0	0-2	0	1	0
Hachimura	22	6-10	2-2	0-5	0	1	16
Gabriel	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Brown Jr.	17	1-3	0-0	0-3	0	1	2
Totals		41-90	22-27	11-48	19	18	111

FG%: .456, FT%: .815. 3-pt. goals: 7-28, .250 (Vanderbilt 0-1, James 0-4, Davis 1-4, Reaves 1-4, Russell 2-7, Schroder 1-3, Beasley 0-1, Hachimura 2-2, Brown Jr. 0-2). Team rebounds: 12. Team turnovers: 16 (14 pts.). Blocks: 8 (Vanderbilt 3, James, Davis 3, Brown Jr.). Turnovers: 13 (James 3, Davis 3, Reaves, Russell 2, Schroder 2, Hachimura 2). Steals: 11 (Vanderbilt 2, James, Davis 2, Reaves, Russell, Schroder 2, Hachimura, Brown Jr.). Technicals: Hachimura, 1:23/3rd.

Memphis	9	28	31	33	—	101
LA Lakers	35	18	35	23	—	111

A — 18,997 (18,997). T — 2:33. Officials — Marc Davis, Ed Malloy, Brian Forte.

NFL DRAFT | TIGHT ENDS

A position of strength

Georgia's Washington stands out as real 'freak'

By Jim McBride
GLOBE STAFF

"Freak" has become a buzzword when describing NFL prospects who possess a unique or unusual blend of skills. It's often overused.

It's perfectly apt, however, when discussing Darnell Washington.

The 6-foot-6-inch, 264-pound Georgia tight end has a ridiculous combination of size, strength, and athleticism.

In 36 career games with the Bulldogs, Washington caught 45 passes for 774 yards and 3 touchdowns. Those may not be eye-popping numbers on the surface, but other factors must be considered. Washington played in offenses that were loaded with talent (including Brock Bowers, one of the country's top underclassmen at the position), he averaged 17.2 yards per catch, and he helped deliver a pair of national championships.

In a draft class loaded with NFL-ready tight ends, Washington might be the most intriguing potential professional because of his ability to block defenders into submission and also stretch the field as a pass catcher.

An intense and aggressive blocker with heavy hands, Washington likely would make an immediate impact as a jumbo tight end while expanding his route tree and polishing his route running.

Washington has long, powerful arms and a quick backpedal, allowing him to both clear running lanes and mirror edge rushers. Because of his above-average athleticism, he blocks well in space as well.

He could develop into a demon on combination blocks, delivering a nice initial punch before a pulling guard or tackle finishes off blitzers.

Equally important as Washington's physicality is his mentality when it comes to working without the ball and in the trenches.

"I take pride in blocking. I embraced it at the University of Georgia," Washington said at the Combine. "I knew I wasn't getting 40 or 50 balls because we've got Brock Bowers and [receiver] Ladd McConkey. There is only one football. You can't give it to everybody. I just embraced the role of blocking. It's a mind-set thing."

Though not a track star, Washington is a long strider and chews up real estate quickly. After the catch, he protects the ball well and gives defenders fits trying to bring him down.

Though the Patriots have a pair of established tight ends in Hunter Henry and Mike Gesicki, Washington could be a nice depth player who could eventually emerge as a starter.

"I feel like I'm the most unique tight end in this draft," Washington said. "I wouldn't say the best. I'm very humble. I feel like I'm only scratching the surface. I feel like I'm a good blocker, but I can turn into a great blocker. I'm a good athlete, but I feel like I can turn into a great athlete."

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POSITION PREVIEW TIGHT ENDS

A look at some of the top tight ends available in the draft:

Michael Mayer, Notre Dame. Projected round: 1.
Extremely productive and prolific player in three seasons in South Bend, collecting 180 passes for 2,099 yards and 18 TDs . . . Has the desired size (6 feet 4 inches, 249 pounds), strength, and soft hands for the position . . . Demonstrates excellent body control to adjust to passes and will run over defensive backs . . . Doesn't possess great speed but will work the seam like nobody's business . . . Fun fact: Mayer's grandfather, Dick Maile, was an All-America basketball forward at LSU in the 1960s.

Dalton Kincaid, Utah. Projected round: 1.
Hard to believe this 6-4, 246-pounder was not recruited by FBS schools coming out high school in Las Vegas . . . Transferred to Utah after two seasons at San Diego and caught 106 passes for 1,400 yards and 16 TDs his last two seasons . . . Very athletic and agile with deceptive speed and reliable hands . . . A willing blocker, he'll likely need some polishing at the next level . . . Fun fact: Caught 16 passes (on 16 targets!) for 234 yards against Southern Cal last season.

Luke Musgrave, Oregon State. Projected round: 1-2.
Playing in a run-heavy offense, Musgrave put up modest numbers for the Beavers (47 catches, 633 yards in 34 games) but his exceptional size (6-5, 253 pounds) and athleticism will translate well in the NFL, where his route tree will be expanded . . . An above-average blocker both in line and in space . . . Shined during Senior Bowl week . . . Fun fact: Musgrave is an accomplished Alpine ski racer who won giant slalom and super giant slalom championships in high school.

Tucker Kraft, South Dakota State. Projected round: 2-3.
Another no-star recruit out of high school, Kraft really flourished by staying near home, piling up 99 catches for 1,211 yards and 9 TDs in 32 games for the Jackrabbits . . . A powerfully built and athletic 6-4, 254-pounder, he has the skills to make the big jump in competition level . . . Catches balls in stride and will make guys miss . . . Fun fact: He received six-figure NIL offers to transfer but remained loyal to South Dakota State.

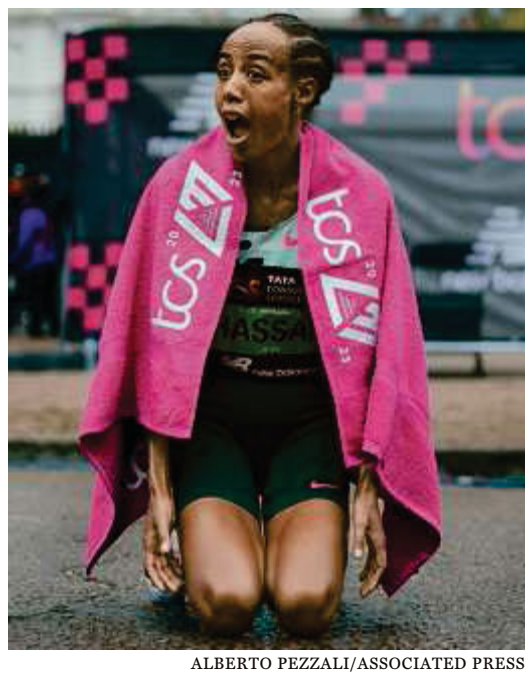
Luke Schoonmaker, Michigan. Projected round: 3.
A two-year starter for the Wolverines, the 6-5, 251-pounder (and Hamden, Conn., native) took a big step in 2022 with 35 catches for 418 yards and 3 TDs . . . Is a natural receiver with soft hands . . . Was a lefthanded quarterback at Hamden Hall . . . His ability to block in the open field really popped on tape . . . Spent five years in high school (repeated his junior year because of illness) and college and will be 25 when the NFL season starts . . . Fun fact: His father, Scott, played basketball at Assumption and professionally in Brazil.

Best of the rest: Sam LaPorta, Iowa; Brenton Strange, Penn State; Zack Kuntz, Old Dominion; Cameron Latu, Alabama; Davis Allen, Clemson.

JIM MCBRIDE

SportsLog

Kiptum wins London with a record time



ALBERTO PEZZALI/ASSOCIATED PRESS

London champ Sifan Hassan was as shocked as everyone else Sunday that she won the first marathon that she entered.

Kelvin Kiptum collapsed to the ground after winning the London Marathon on Sunday and recording the second-fastest time in history over the distance. The 23-year-old Kenyan set the course record with a time of 2 hours, 1 minute, 25 seconds, missing out on **Eliud Kipchoge's** world record by 16 seconds. In what was long distance great **Mo Farah's** final marathon, defending champion **Amos Kipruto** and world champion **Tamirat Tola** were also among the elite men's field that Kiptum left behind. In the women's race, **Sifan Hassan** completed a stunning comeback to win on her marathon debut after appearing to be injured part way through. The Ethiopian-born Dutch athlete triumphed despite falling off the pace and clutching her hip around the 15-mile mark. The 30-year-old 5,000- and 10,000-meter Olympic champion then reeled in the leaders with 3 miles to go. Hassan pulled away from **Alemu Megertu** and reigning Olympic champion **Peres Jepchirchir** in a sprint finish along The Mall, coming home in 2:18:33. **Marcel Hug** won the men's wheelchair race for the third time in a row, this time in a course-record 1:23:44, just six days after winning the Boston Marathon. Australia's **Madison de Rozario** won her second women's wheelchair race in 1:38:51.

NASCAR

Busch wins at Talladega

Kyle Busch chose track position over a last splash of gas and it paid off with his second victory at Talladega, this one in double overtime. "In my own mind, I was like there's no way you come to pit road and just throw away your day. Like, your day is done," Busch said. "So I was just like, 'Why not just take the chance?' " The two-time Cup champion didn't even lead his first laps of the race until the start of second overtime. Busch won under caution when **Bubba Wallace** surged into the lead but tried to block good friend **Ryan Blaney** three times — and the third block caused the race-ending wreck.

TENNIS

Alcaraz repeats at Barcelona

Carlos Alcaraz became the first since **Rafael Nadal** to repeat as Barcelona Open champion with a 6-3, 6-4 win over **Stefanos Tsitsipas**. The 19-year-old Spaniard secured his third title of the year and ninth of his young career . . . **Holger Rune** defended his BMW Open title with a hard-fought 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 (7-3) win over **Botic van de Zandschulp** in Munich . . . **Iga Swiatek** defended her Porsche Grand Prix title with a 6-3, 6-4 win over **Aryna Sabalenka** in Stuttgart. Swiatek saved the only break point she faced to win her 13th title overall in 1 hour, 50 minutes.

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Sea Dogs improve to 11-4

A four-run eighth helped the Portland Sea Dogs improve to 11-4 with a 6-1 win over the Reading Fightin Phils (4-11) at Hadlock Field in Double A action. Portland has won all three series it has played . . . Lehigh Valley scored four times in the ninth inning to nail down a 9-3 victory over the WooSox in Triple A action.

MISCELLANY

Blazing Sevens withdraws

Blazing Sevens has been withdrawn from the Kentucky Derby, allowing Jace's Road into the 20-horse field for the 149th running May 6 at Churchill Downs. The **Chad Brown**-trained colt was tied for 17th with 46 points after his third-place finish in the Blue Grass at Keeneland.

SOCCER

USSF set to name Crocker

According to a report in the Athletic, Southampton director of football operations **Matt Crocker** is set to be named as the sporting director of the US Soccer Federation. Crocker, who said he was leaving Southampton at the end of the season, will replace **Earnie Stewart**, who left Feb. 15 to join PSV Eindhoven as director of football. The hire opens the door for USSF to hire a permanent head coach for the US men's team.

Scoreboard

Minor Leagues

TRIPLE-A INTERNATIONAL

EAST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Norfolk	14	5	.737	—
Durham	12	7	.632	2
Syracuse	11	9	.550	3½
Jacksonville	9	9	.500	4½
Charlotte	9	11	.450	5½
Worcester	**8**	**10**	**.444**	**5½**
Scranton/W.-Barre	8	12	.400	6½
Lehigh Valley	7	11	.389	6½
Buffalo	7	12	.368	7
Rochester	6	13	.316	8

WEST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Memphis	15	5	.750	—
Toledo	14	5	.737	½
Iowa	12	5	.706	1½
St. Paul	12	7	.632	2½
Nashville	10	9	.526	4½
Columbus	8	12	.400	7
Omaha	7	11	.389	7
Gwinnett	7	12	.368	7½
Louisville	7	12	.368	7½
Indianapolis	7	13	.350	8

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
At Lehigh Valley 5, Worcester 4
At Columbus 10, Toledo 3
Charlotte 6, at Louisville 5
At Buffalo 11, Iowa 6
Durham 7, at Syracuse 6
At Norfolk 17, Rochester 7
At Omaha 5, Gwinnett 3
Indianapolis 6, at Memphis 4
At Jacksonville 3, Nashville 2
At St. Paul 8, Scranton/W.-Barre 5

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Worcester (ppd.), at Lehigh Valley
Durham 7, at Syracuse 4
At Louisville 4, Charlotte 2
Iowa 11, at Buffalo 6
Gwinnett 5, at Omaha 2
At St. Paul 11, Scranton/W.-Barre 6
Charlotte 8, at Louisville 5
At Memphis 7, Indianapolis 2
Toledo 4, at Columbus 0
At Norfolk 9, Rochester 2
Toledo 7, at Columbus 3

Lehigh Valley, 5-4

At Coca-Cola Park, Allentown, Pa.

WORCESTER	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Hamilton ss	4	1	1	1	0	1	.354
Dalbec dh	2	1	1	0	1	1	.220
Abreu rf	3	1	1	0	1	0	.167
Valdez 2b	3	1	0	0	1	0	.170
Goodrum 3b	1	0	1	1	2	0	.268
Palka 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.189
Allen cf	3	0	1	1	0	2	.224
Hamilton c	3	0	0	0	0	1	.207
Fitzgerald lf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.275
Totals	**25**	**4**	**5**	**3**	**5**	**5**	

LEHIGH VAL	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Kingery cf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.239
Wilson ss	3	0	0	0	0	0	.221
Quiroz 2b	3	1	1	0	0	1	.250
Hicks c	3	1	1	1	0	0	.289
Machin 3b	2	1	0	0	1	0	.258
Ortiz rf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.263
Muzziotti lf	3	1	1	2	0	0	.317
Haley 1b	2	1	1	0	0	0	.211
Qsar dh	3	0	1	2	0	1	.265
Totals	**25**	**5**	**7**	**5**	**1**	**3**	

Worcester 400 000 0 — 4 5 1
Lehigh Valley 030 002 x — 5 7 1
LOB—Worcester 6, Lehigh Valley 4. 2B—Hicks, Qsar, Haley, Quiroz. HR—Hamilton. SB—Goodrum, Dalbec, Allen, Muzziotti. CS—Goodrum. DP—Worcester 1; Lehigh Valley 1.

Worcester	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Walter	5	6	5	2	1	2	4.19
Mosqueda	1	1	0	0	0	1	4.82

Lehigh Valley	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Zeuch	4	5	4	4	3	2	5.68
Crouse	2	0	0	0	2	3	2.89
Morales	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.72

HBP—by Walter, by Morales. WP—Walter. T—2:07. A—0.

DOUBLE-A EASTERN

NORTHEAST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland	**10**	**4**	**.714**	**—**
New Hampshire	8	6	.571	2
Hartford	7	7	.500	3
Somerset	7	7	.500	3
Binghamton	6	8	.429	4
Reading	4	10	.286	6

SOUTHWEST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Richmond	9	5	.643	—
Akron	8	5	.615	½
Altoona	6	7	.462	2½
Harrisburg	6	7	.462	2½
Erie	6	8	.429	3
Bowie	5	8	.385	3½

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
At Portland 6, Reading 1
At Altoona 5, Bowie 4
At Somerset 7, New Hampshire 3
Harrisburg 3, at Akron 0
Binghamton (ppd.), at Hartford
Erie 6, at Richmond 5
Harrisburg 4, at Akron 1

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
At Portland 3, Reading 2
At Richmond 2, Erie 0
New Hampshire 3, at Somerset 1
Harrisburg 7, at Akron 4
At Hartford 4, Binghamton 2

Portland, 6-1

At Hadlock Field, Portland, Maine

READING	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Rojas cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.226
Cannon ss	3	0	1	0	1	1	.257
Dunn lf	3	0	1	1	1	0	.320
Kroon 3b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.289
Rijo 2b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.195
Wilson dh	4	0	1	0	0	0	.231
Tatum 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.245
McDowell c	2	1	1	0	1	0	.150
Stokes rf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.350
Totals	**30**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**4**	**3**	

PORTLAND	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Sikes cf	4	0	3	0	1	1	.267
Yorke 2b	2	0	0	0	2	0	.227
Rafaela ss	4	1	1	0	0	1	.264
Kavadas dh	4	0	1	0	0	2	.195
Binelas 1b	3	1	0	0	1	2	.152
Scott c	2	1	1	1	2	1	.205
McDonogh lf	4	1	1	2	0	2	.152
Rosier rf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.353
Diaz 3b	4	1	1	2	0	1	.136
Totals	**31**	**6**	**9**	**5**	**6**	**11**	

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Portland 001 100 04x — 6 9 0
LOB—Reading 6, Portland 8. 2B—Rafaela. 3B—McDonough. HR—Diaz. SB—Sikes, Scott. CS—Rosier, Yorke. DP—Portland 1.

Reading	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Parkinson	4⅔	5	2	1	2	8	2.57
Zarbnisky	1⅓	0	0	0	2	2	0.96
Schultz	1	0	0	0	1	1	8.53
Killgore	0	2	3	3	1	0	8.22
Leverett	1	2	1	1	0	0	3.24

Portland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Sharp	6	3	1	1	4	3	1.00
Nail	2	2	0	0	0	0	0.00
Guerrero	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.50

HBP—by Schultz. WP—Parkinson, Sharp. T—2:23. A—6,552.

HIGH-A SOUTH ATLANTIC

NORTH

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Greensboro	10	4	.714	—
Hudson Valley	9	5	.643	1
Wilmington	7	7	.500	3
Aberdeen	5	8	.385	4½
Jersey Shore	5	8	.385	4½
Brooklyn	5	9	.357	5

SOUTH

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Hickory	8	4	.667	—
Winston-Salem	8	4	.667	—
Bowling Green	6	6	.500	2
Asheville	5	7	.417	3
Greenville	**5**	**8**	**.385**	**3½**
Rome	5	8	.385	3½

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
At Greensboro 4, Greenville 1
Hudson Valley 10, at Rome 5
Winston-Salem 8, at Asheville 5
At Hickory 4, Bowling Green 0
Wilmington (ppd.), at Brooklyn
Jersey Shore 8, at Aberdeen 5

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Greenville 13, at Greensboro 5
At Brooklyn 3, Wilmington 2
Hudson Valley 3, at Rome 2
At Asheville 8, Winston-Salem 3
At Hickory 5, Bowling Green 3

SINGLE-A CAROLINA

NORTH

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Delmarva	7	6	.538	—
Lynchburg	7	7	.500	½
Salem	**7**	**7**	**.500**	**½**
Carolina	6	6	.500	½
Down East	6	6	.500	½
Fredericksburg	4	9	.308	3

SOUTH

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Kannapolis	9	4	.692	—
Columbia	7	5	.583	1½
Fayetteville	7	6	.538	2
Myrtle Beach	6	6	.500	2½
Augusta	5	6	.455	3
Charleston	5	8	.385	4

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
At Salem 10, Lynchburg 1
Carolina 3, at Down East 2
At Kannapolis 3, Charleston 2
Delmarva 8, at Fredericksburg 5
Carolina 4, at Down East 3
Fayetteville 3, at Columbia 2
Augusta, at Myrtle Beach

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Lynchburg 8, at Salem 3
At Columbia 6, Fayetteville 5
At Kannapolis 15, Charleston 3

XFL

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
St. Louis 53, Orlando 28
DC 29, San Antonio 28

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Houston 25, Arlington 9
Seattle 28, Vegas 9

	MON 4/24	TUE 4/25	WED 4/26	THU 4/27	FRI 4/28	SAT 4/29	SUN 4/30
	BAL 6:35 NESN	BAL 6:35 NESN	BAL 1:05 NESN		CLE 7:10 NESN	CLE 4:10 NESN	CLE 1:35 NESN
			FLA 7:00 ESPN		FLA (if nec.) TBA		FLA (if nec.) TBA
		ATL 7:30 NBCSB, TNT		ATL (if nec.) TBA NBCSB		ATL (if nec.) TBA NBCSB, TNT	
						CIN 7:30 AppleTV	

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On the radio, unless noted: Red Sox, WEEI-FM 93.7; Bruins, Celtics, and Revolution, WBZ-FM 98.5

ON THE AIR

BASEBALL

6:35 p.m.	Boston at Baltimore	NESN
6:40 p.m.	Houston at Tampa Bay	MLB
9:38 p.m.	Oakland at LA Angels	FS1

PRO BASKETBALL

7:30 p.m.	Milwaukee at Miami	TNT
10 p.m.	Memphis at LA Lakers	TNT

PRO HOCKEY

7 p.m.	New Jersey at NY Rangers	ESPN
7:30 p.m.	Toronto at Tampa Bay	TBS
9:30 p.m.	Vegas at Winnipeg	ESPN
10 p.m.	Colorado at Seattle	TBS

Schedule subject to change

Golf

ZURICH CLASSIC

At TPC Louisiana, Avondale, La.
Yardage: 7,425; par: 72

Hardy/Riley	64-66-63-65–258 -30
Taylor/Hadwin	66-67-64-63–260 -28
Hossler/Clark	61-67-62-71–261 -27
Cantlay/Schauffl	67-63-66-66–262 -26
NeSmith/Moore	64-66-63-69–262 -26
Mitchell/Im	62-67-62-72–263 -25
Kim/Kim	66-67-64-68–265 -23
O'Hair/Matthews	61-69-64-71–265 -23
Schwab/Norrmn	64-67-62-73–266 -22
Trainer/Ramey	63-67-65-71–266 -22
Dahmen/McCrth	65-67-67-68–267 -21
Horschel/Burns	64-69-63-71–267 -21
An/Kim	67-67-63-71–268 -20
Detry/Perez	67-66-66-69–268 -20
English/Hoge	64-68-63-73–268 -20
Gligic/Pendrith	64-70-65-69–268 -20
Lipsky/Rai	62-69-69-68–268 -20
Merritt/Streb	63-69-64-72–268 -20
Fitzpatrick/Fitzpt	62-71-62-74–269 -19
Hoffman/Watny	64-69-66-70–269 -19
Kitaym/Mntgmr	65-67-65-72–269 -19
Noh/Kim	62-71-66-70–269 -19
List/Norlander	62-69-67-72–270 -18
Molinari/Donald	64-69-65-72–270 -18
Suh/Theegala	63-69-65-73–270 -18
Bramlett/Wu	63-69-67-72–271 -17
Daffue/van Royn	64-70-63-74–271 -17
Frittelli/Schmid	66-68-65-72–271 -17
Ryder/Redman	63-66-70-72–271 -17
Spaun/Buckley	66-66-65-74–271 -17
Todd/Kizzire	64-70-64-73–271 -17
Olesen/Hojgaard	65-67-66-74–272 -16
Murray/Bryan	66-68-67-73–274 -14
Duncan/Lebioda	64-70-67-74–275 -13
Gomez/Nunez	67-67-69-73–276 -12

LPGA: CHEVRON

At The Club at Carlton Woods, The Woodlands, Texas
Yardage: 6,824; par: 72

Lilia Vu	68-69-73-68-4–278 -10
Angel Yin	69-70-67-72-5–278 -10
Nelly Korda	68-70-70-71–279 -9
Allisen Corpuz	72-67-67-74–280 -8
A Lim Kim	71-65-72-72–280 -8
Atthaya Thitikul	70-71-68-71–280 -8
A. Valenzuela	72-67-68-73–280 -8
Amy Yang	73-69-65-73–280 -8
Megan Khang	70-67-70-74–281 -7
Jin Young Ko	72-71-70-68–281 -7
Hyo Joo Kim	70-70-68-74–282 -6
Carlota Ciganda	70-72-69-72–283 -5
Georgia Hall	70-73-72-68–283 -5
Celine Boutier	73-67-72-72–284 -4
Ariya Jutanugarn	71-71-71-71–284 -4
Xiyu Lin	71-69-71-73–284 -4
Hyejin Choi	71-70-67-77–285 -3
Ashleigh Buhai	71-73-66-76–286 -2
In Gee Chun	78-66-69-73–286 -2
Cheyenne Knight	71-69-73-73–286 -2
Maddie Szeryk	71-73-70-72–286 -2
Amanda Doherty	76-69-71-71–287 -1
Ally Ewing	70-70-71-77–288 E
B. Henderson	71-67-76-74–288 E
Eun-Hee Ji	70-71-70-77–288 E
B. Lincicome	70-73-71-74–288 E
Leona Maguire	76-69-70-73–288 E
Marina Alex	68-73-72-76–289 +1
Matilda Castren	71-72-73-73–289 +1
Eila Galitsky	70-75-74-70–289 +1
Danielle Kang	73-69-75-72–289 +1
Nanna K Madsen	72-68-75-74–289 +1
Jessica Korda	73-69-75-72–289 +1
Gaby Lopez	75-68-72-74–289 +1
Hinako Shibuno	72-72-71-74–289 +1
Lindsey Weaver	72-69-73-75–289 +1
P. Anannarukarn	77-67-73-73–290 +2
Jodi E. Shadoff	73-71-73-73–290 +2
Nasa Hataoka	70-72-76-72–290 +2
Maja Stark	73-70-71-76–290 +2
Na Rin An	72-71-76-72–291 +3
Minjee Lee	70-75-77-69–291 +3
P. Tavatanakit	71-67-77-76–291 +3
Ruoning Yin	73-71-70-77–291 +3
Amari Avery	73-69-73-77–292 +4
G. Dryburgh	73-68-76-75–292 +4
Dana Finkelstein	72-73-72-75–292 +4
P. Yoktuan	75-68-73-76–292 +4
Peiyun Chien	67-74-79-73–293 +5
Chella Choi	68-73-75-77–293 +5
S. Kyriacou	68-76-76-73–293 +5
Ayaka Furue	68-75-76-75–294 +6
Sei Young Kim	76-67-75-76–294 +6
Lucy Li	74-69-76-76–295 +7
Ryann O'Toole	72-71-73-79–295 +7
Karis Davidson	70-72-75-79–296 +8
Andrea Lee	73-69-77-77–296 +8
Yuna Nishimura	75-69-78-74–296 +8
Hae-Ran Ryu	71-73-77-75–296 +8
Linnea Strom	73-69-74-80–296 +8
Dewi Weber	73-68-76-80–297 +9
Jing Yan	70-75-77-75–297 +9
B. Altomare	71-72-78-77–298 +10
Wei-Ling Hsu	70-75-75-78–298 +10
Mao Saigo	74-68-78-79–299 +11
Sarah Schmelzel	72-73-78-77–300 +12
L. Stephenson	71-74-80-76–301 +13
C. Thomas	73-72-76-80–301 +13

LIV: ADELAIDE

Sunday
At The Grange Golf Club
Adelaide, Australia
Purse: $25 million
Yardage: 6,968; Par: 72
Final Round

Talor Gooch	62-62-73-197 -19
Anirban Lahiri	69-66-65-200 -16
Patrick Reed	71-65-65-201 -15
Cameron Smith	69-66-66-201 -15
Cameron Tringale	69-65-67-201 -15
Pat Perez	67-67-67-201 -15
Peter Uihlein	68-68-66-202 -14
Dean Burmester	66-69-67-202 -14
Charl Schwartzel	68-66-68-202 -14
Dustin Johnson	71-65-67-203 -13
Jason Kokrak	68-71-65-204 -12
Bubba Watson	70-67-67-204 -12
Kevin Na	68-69-67-204 -12
Sergio Garcia	68-68-68-204 -12
Henrik Stenson	68-68-68-204 -12
Phil Mickelson	70-65-69-204 -12
Harold Varner III	71-64-69-204 -12
Louis Oosthuizen	68-66-70-204 -12
Brooks Koepka	69-65-70-204 -12
Abraham Ancer	69-65-70-204 -12
Marc Leishman	71-69-65-205 -11
Charles Howell III	69-69-67-205 -11
Sebastian Munoz	73-65-67-205 -11
Chase Koepka	70-70-66-206 -10
Danny Lee	67-71-68-206 -10
Ian Poulter	72-69-66-207 -9
Mito Pereira	72-66-69-207 -9
B. DeChambeau	73-65-69-207 -9
Brendan Steele	67-71-69-207 -9
Joaquin Niemann	70-68-70-208 -8
Bernd Wiesberger	67-70-71-208 -8
James Piot	69-74-66-209 -7
Thomas Pieters	71-68-70-209 -7
David Puig	70-67-72-209 -7
Richard Bland	66-71-72-209 -7
Lee Westwood	71-69-70-210 -6
Carlos Ortiz	73-66-71-210 -6
Graeme McDowell	67-69-74-210 -6
Paul Casey	71-70-71-212 -4
Scott Vincent	68-74-71-213 -3
Branden Grace	74-65-74-213 -3
Matt Jones	72-73-69-214 -2
Jediah Morgan	76-71-68-215 -1
Matthew Wolff	72-72-72-216 E
Eugenio Chacarra	74-70-72-216 E
Martin Kaymer	75-77-71-223 +7
Sihwan Kim	84-71-75-230 +14

NASCAR

GEICO 500

Results of Sunday's NASCAR Cup race at Talladega with make of car (T - Toyota; F - Ford; C - Chevrolet), starting position, and laps completed.

1. Kyle Busch, C, 17, 196
2. Ryan Blaney, F, 5, 196
3. Chris Buescher, F, 10, 196
4. Chase Briscoe, F, 4, 196
5. Brad Keselowski, F, 20, 196
6. Erik Jones, C, 24, 196
7. William Byron, C, 18, 196
8. Christopher Bell, T, 6, 196
9. Daniel Suarez, C, 22, 196
10. Todd Gilliland, F, 28, 196
11. J.J. Yeley, F, 38, 196
12. Chase Elliott, C, 29, 196
13. Tyler Reddick, T, 13, 196
14. Alex Bowman, C, 27, 196
15. Denny Hamlin, T, 1, 196
16. Ricky Stenhouse Jr., C, 33, 196
17. Ty Dillon, C, 32, 196
18. Justin Haley, C, 26, 196
19. B.J. McLeod, C, 37, 196
20. Aric Almirola, F, 2, 196
21. Kevin Harvick, F, 11, 196
22. Ross Chastain, C, 23, 196
23. Austin Hill, C, 31, 196
24. Corey LaJoie, C, 34, 196
25. Riley Herbst, F, 36, 196
26. Austin Cindric, F, 15, 196
27. Martin Truex Jr., T, 7, 196
28. Bubba Wallace, T, 12, 195
29. AJ Allmendinger, C, 19, 195
30. Joey Logano, F, 8, 195
31. Ty Gibbs, T, 3, 194
32. Noah Gragson, C, 30, 189
33. Kyle Larson, C, 9, 189
34. Ryan Preece, F, 16, 189
35. Michael McDowell, F, 21, 189
36. Harrison Burton, F, 25, 183
37. Zane Smith, F, 35, 141
38. Austin Dillon, C, 14, 141

NASCAR CUP STANDINGS

Standings are for 10 races through GEICO 500, with points, wins, and top 10 finishes.

	Pts.	W	T10
Christopher Bell	331	1	7
Ross Chastain	320	0	4
Kevin Harvick	311	0	5
Kyle Larson	295	2	4

Premier League

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Arsenal	32	23	6	3	75
Manchester City	30	22	4	4	70
Newcastle	31	16	11	4	59
Man. United	30	18	5	7	59
Tottenham	32	16	5	11	53
Aston Villa	32	15	6	11	51
Liverpool	31	14	8	9	50
Brighton	29	14	7	8	49
Fulham	31	13	6	12	45
Brentford	32	10	14	8	44
Chelsea	31	10	9	12	39
Crystal Palace	32	9	10	13	37
West Ham	31	9	7	15	34
Wolverhampton	32	9	7	16	34
Bournemouth	32	9	6	17	33
Leeds United	32	7	8	17	29
Leicester City	32	8	4	20	28
Everton	32	6	10	16	28
Nottinghm Forest	32	6	9	17	27
Southampton	32	6	6	20	24

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
At Newcastle 6, Tottenham 1
West Ham 4, at Bournemouth 0

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
At Fulham 2, Leeds United 1
At Leicester City 2, Wolverhampton 1
At Liverpool 3, Nottingham Forest 2
Everton 0, at Crystal Palace 0
Aston Villa 1, at Brentford 1

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
New England	9	6	2	1	20
Cincinnati	9	6	2	1	20
Atlanta	9	5	3	1	18
NYCFC	9	4	3	2	15
Columbus	9	4	2	3	14
Nashville	9	3	3	3	12
Philadelphia	9	3	2	4	11
D.C. United	9	3	2	4	11
Orlando	8	3	2	3	11
Chicago	8	2	4	2	10
Charlotte

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CLARK, George Whipple

George Whipple Clark, a physicist, died on April 6, 2023, at the age of 94 in Boston, Massachusetts. He was born in Harvey, Illinois, on August 31, 1928, and was the son of the late Robert Keep Clark and Margaret Whipple Clark.

George was passionate about astronomy from a young age. He graduated from Harvard University in 1949 and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he earned his PhD in 1952.

George spent his career at MIT as a professor of physics, specializing in astrophysics. In the 1950s, George collaborated with Bruno Rossi on several large cosmic ray air shower experiments. Later, he worked on the Focal Plane Crystal Spectrometer experiment on the Einstein X-Ray Observatory and was involved in satellite experiments that resulted in the discovery of high-energy gamma rays from galactic and extra-galactic sources. His pioneering work in the use of balloon-borne instrumentation for observing celestial X-ray sources discovered high energy X-rays from the Crab Nebula. Later, George was the Principal Investigator for the MIT X-Ray Observatory on the Third Small Astronomy Satellite.

George loved teaching at MIT where he was respected by colleagues and students for his contributions to the field and dedication to teaching. He retired from teaching in 1996, and continued research at the MIT Kavli Institute for Astrophysics and Space Research.

Edgartown Great Pond on Martha's Vineyard was where George built his own house and contributed to island life with his keen interest in conservation.

George was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He was an extraordinary influence on the lives of many. He is survived by his daughter, Jacqueline Clark; and stepchildren, Bridget Reischer, Blair Reischer, Sybille Reischer Ecroyd, and Electa Reischer; their spouses; as well as his grandchildren, Otto Ecroyd, Rosalind Reischer, Peter Reischer, Geneva Reischer Harburger. George was preceded in death by his wife, Charlotte Reischer Clark; and daughter, Katherine "Kasia" Whipple Clark.

A Celebration of George's Life will be held in late May. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute or the Committee on Human Rights. George will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

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CURRY, John A.

Former President of Northeastern University

Saugus, MA (formerly of Lynn, MA) - Dr. John A. Curry, age 88, beloved husband of the late Marcia E. Curry, passed away at home, surrounded by his loving family. John was born on May 12, 1934, in Boston, MA, to the late John Anthony Curry and Margaret F. (Connors) Curry. John grew up in the city of Lynn, MA and graduated from Lynn English High School in 1951. He and Marica, his wife of over 60 years, resided in Saugus, MA, where they raised their family.

John leaves behind two sons, Robert Curry and his wife Claire (LeBlanc) Curry of Waltham and Timothy Curry and his wife Susan (Moriello) Curry of Saugus; and one daughter, Susan (Curry) Brown of Saugus. He is also survived by six grandchildren, James Brown, Jessica Jaklitsch, Nicole Kroll, Melissa Deming, Christopher Curry, Courtney Curry, and spouses. He is survived by his younger brother, Martin Curry; as well as seven great-grandchildren, whom he cherished dearly.

John was a graduate of the class of 1956 at Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts. In 1960, he received his master's in education from Northeastern and in 1980, he received his doctorate in Education from Boston University. He had an accomplished career in education before becoming the president of Northeastern University, from 1989 to 1996. Dr. John A. Curry, was the first president who was also a Northeastern alumnus. As president, he made significant improvements to the university, including renovating athletic facilities, expanding the women's athletics program, and embracing technology, by implementing computer and internet connectivity for the first time, across campus. After his retirement, John's service was recognized through the dedication of the "John and Marcia Curry Student Center".

Since his retirement, Curry has published nine books, including his first novel titled "Loyalty" and his most recent novel "Running in Lane One." John enjoyed spending summers on the Cape with Marcia, swimming, running or walking his favorite spots. He loved playing basketball with his kids, or having a competitive, nightly hour of Jeopardy with the family. He was an avid collector of movies and books, and a loyal fan of the Boston Red Sox, and Celtics. You could often catch John and Marcia enjoying breakfast at the Hammersmith Restaurant, or a good slice of Monty's Pizza, as well as their weekly dinner at Kowloon Restaurant.

As amazing as the long list of "Jack" Curry's accomplishments may be, no list can begin to describe what he meant to his family and friends on a personal level. Jack's sharp wit and intellect were matched only by his kindness and humility. Jack is also survived by his cherished cousins from Quincy, his lifelong friends that he remained close with, and the many memorable colleagues whom he revered.

The family would like to thank, on behalf of Jack, the numerous caregivers who stood by him through the ups and downs he endured fighting Parkinson's disease. They graciously cared for him in his home, with kindness and compassion. Finally, Jack's children and grandchildren, led by his daughter, Susan Brown; his primary caregiver, who never wavered from his side, while remaining a vigilant support system. Jack's legacy will continue to inspire those who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in John's memory may be made to: Northeastern University, President John A. Curry Scholarship Fund, 716 Columbus Avenue, 402CP, Boston, MA 02120. Please note the President John A. Curry Scholarship Fund on the contribution. The scholarship will provide financial aid to deserving students with demonstrated financial need and academic achievement.

Visiting Hours: Relatives and friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours in the Bisbee-Porcella Funeral Home, 549 Lincoln Ave., SAUGUS, on Tuesday 4-7 p.m. A funeral mass will be held on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Church, 14 Summer St., Saugus. For directions & condolences, www.BisbeePorcella.com

DAVIS, Harriet Parmenter

Harriet P. Davis, 81 of Wenham, died on Saturday, April 15 at Kaplan Family Hospice House. Born in Ipswich, she was the daughter of Charles William and Marjorie Alice (Parmenter) Davis, and was a lifelong resident of Wenham and Cambridge. She attended Shore Country Day School and was a graduate of Northfield (now Northfield-Mount Hermon), Wheaton College, Boston University, and Simmons College. Harriet went on to join Merill Lynch as a broker where she worked for 35 years attaining the rank of Vice President.

For over 100 years, her maternal family of Dodges and Princes had long served the town of Wenham on many boards and commissions, and she continued that tradition on the Finance and Advisory, Community Preservation, Historic District, Conservation, and Cemetery Boards and followed both parents (Charles 1951-1959) and Marjorie (1972-1989) onto the Board of Selectmen in 2010 giving them total of 10 terms there. Harriet had been a Trustee of the Cambridge YMCA, Treasurer of Wheaton College class, Treasurer of Christ Church of Hamilton-Wenham, Director of the Boston Branch of the English-Speaking Union and President of the Wenham Village Improvement Society. She was a member of Myopia Hunt Club and enjoyed gardening, her Persian cats, and traveling abroad, fulfilling, in 2022, a lifelong desire to spend a Dickensian Christmas in London with her family. She is survived by her brother, Charles Edwin and his wife Mary of Wenham; her nephew, Charles Alexander and his wife, Rachel; her great nephew, Teddy of Toronto; and cousin, Elaine Clark of Jacksonville.

A Celebration of Life for Harriet will be at Christ Church, 149 Asbury Street, South Hamilton, on Tuesday, May 23, at 11:00 A.M. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Following the Service there will be a reception to share memories and refreshments, the details of which are being worked out. Contributions may be made in Harriet's memory to the Louis Dodge Fund at the Wenham Museum, 132 Main Street, Wenham. Arrangements by the Campbell Funeral Home, 525 Cabot Street, Beverly. Information, directions, condolences at www.campbellfuneral.com

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DHOOGE, Gerard J.

Of Milton, passed away April 22nd. Beloved husband of Patricia M. (Singer). Father of Gerard J. Dhooge, Jr. (Milton PD) of Milton and Laura McBrien (Boston PD) and her husband, Shaun, of Hyde Park. Grandfather of Leila Dhooge. Son of the late Eleanor and Eugene Dhooge. Brother of the late Eugene, Maureen, and Stephen. Visiting Hours at the Alfred D. Thomas Funeral Home, 326 Granite Ave., MILTON, Wednesday 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Funeral Mass at St. Agatha Church, Milton, Thursday morning at 10:30. Burial Cedar Grove Cemetery, Dorchester. For complete obituary, see www.alfreddthomas.com

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GANNON, Patricia A. (Iorio)

Of Norton, passed away on Thursday, April 20, after a lengthy and courageous battle with Sporadic Inclusion Body Myositis. She was 82.

Patricia was the beloved wife of the late John L. Gannon. She was the loving mother of Matthew Gannon of Norton, and Melissa Gannon Chavarria and her husband, Salvador of Norwell and Norton. She also leaves her sister Frances (Iorio) Morgan of Norton; and many nieces, nephews, godchildren, and cherished friends.

Patricia was predeceased by her parents, Frances (DeBenedictis) Iorio and Carmino Iorio; as well as her brothers, Arthur and David Iorio.

Patty grew up in Dedham and Scituate. Her family was in the restaurant business and was proprietor of various ones over the years, most notably Artie's Fireside in Dedham and The Minot Light Inn in Scituate.

A member of the first graduating class at Fontbonne Academy, 1958, Patty went on to attend The Katherine Gibbs School and Regis College. She was employed by The Coca-Cola Company, MIT, and RCA, where she met John in 1964. After marrying in 1968, they settled in Hingham to raise their family. She was very active in town and children's activities, such as the Hingham Mother's Club.

Patricia liked to sing and dance and play her little instruments, such as the harmonica, ukulele, tambourine, or kazoo. She loved going for rides, getting ice cream cones on a summer day, and sitting on the beach enjoying the sunshine with a good book.

A big talker, she never met anyone she couldn't engage in conversation, and she loved to tell a good story. Generous and sociable, she cherished time spent with her extended family and friends.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the Visiting Hours on Tuesday, April 25, from 3-7 pm in the Pyne-Keohane Funeral Home, 21 Emerald St., HINGHAM. Relatives and friends will gather in the funeral home at 10 am on Wednesday, April 26, prior to the Funeral Mass in the Church of the Resurrection, Hingham at 11 am. Interment in St. Paul Cemetery, Hingham. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Patricia's memory to The Muscular Dystrophy Association.

HUGHES, Edward J. Jr.

Passed away peacefully, on February 2, 2023, after a long illness. Edward was born to the late Edward J. Hughes and Mary R. (Cotter) Hughes in Boston, on March 26, 1946. He was predeceased by his older brother, Gerard C. Hughes. Edward is survived by his sister, Kathleen Sixt (Hughes) and her husband, Norman Sixt; and their children, whom he loved very much and of whom he was very proud, Christopher Sixt of Enfield, CT, Gregory Sixt of Medford, MA, and Shannon Sixt-Parda of Ferrisburgh, VT. Edward also leaves great-nephews and a niece. Edward was a lifelong resident of West Roxbury, MA. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Holy Name Church on Saturday, May 13, at 11:00 am., with a private interment at Mt. Benedict Cemetery. Refer to the Lawler Funeral Home's website for more details, www.lawlerfuneralhome.com In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Catholic Memorial, Advancement, 235 Baker St., West Roxbury, MA. 02132 or www.catholicmemoroial.org/give

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Announcements

ROOFERS UNION LOCAL NO. 33

With great sadness we regret to announce the death of Brother John Carter. Brother Carter was a member of Roofers Union Local No. 33 for 28 years. Visiting Hours will be held on Tuesday, April 25, from 10 am to 12 noon, at Casper Funeral Home, 187 Dorchester Street, Boston, MA.

Paul Bickford
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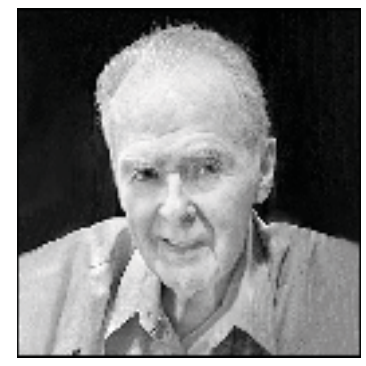
KELLEHER, George V.



Of Wrentham, formerly of Norwood and West Roxbury, passed away on April 21, 2023, at the age of 87. Beloved husband of 62 years to Patricia A. (Copell) Kelleher. Devoted father of Gerard (Jerry) Kelleher and his wife Nanci, and Nancy Pigott and her husband David. Fun-loving Papa to Kelly Pigott, Michael Pigott and Janelle Kelleher. George was predeceased by his sister, Mary Connolly; and four brothers: Thomas, Lawrence, John and Charles. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends. George was a longtime member of Local 103 I.B.E.W. and worked as a Local 103 electrician for the MBTA over the final 20 years of his career. He was also a proud U.S. Army veteran. "Kell" was always the life of the party and had a great sense of humor. He enjoyed dancing, traveling with his dear wife Pat, and watching his beloved Boston sports teams. He was also a good athlete and usually the winner of any backyard ballgames! Visiting Hours will be held from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington Street, NORWOOD. A Funeral Mass will be offered at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 176 Washington Street, East Walpole, on Wednesday, April 26 at 10:30 a.m. Burial immediately following at Highland Cemetery in Norwood. Relatives and friends are welcome to attend any and all services.

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MENDELSON, Geraldine (Cox)

Of Randolph, MA, died peacefully on April 21st, at the age of 99; 3 months short of her 100th birthday. Born in Edmunds, ME, she was orphaned at the age of 4. She and her 3 sisters, Dorothy, Geneva, and Zelda, were raised by her step-grandparents in Dennysville.

After graduating from high school at the age of 15, Geri trained as a registered nurse in Belfast and worked at Belfast Hospital. She married the late William "Bae" Mendelson in 1950, and became a full-time homemaker after the birth of her daughter, Lecia, in 1954. The young family moved to Lewiston in 1956 where two sons, Isaac (Bob) and Mark, joined the family. She was a compassionate, protective and loving mother to her three children. When they finished school and left for college, she studied to become a Certified Medical Records librarian and resumed working. She absolutely loved her new found career.

She and her husband moved from Maine to Randolph, MA, in 1981, to be closer to her now adult children, who all lived in Massachusetts. She worked at Golden Living Center for 28 years, until the age of 89, when she finally retired. Her time was taken up with gardening, knitting, reading, meticulous maintenance of her home, entertaining family during holidays and she adored providing a home, at different times, for 3 of her grandchildren. She cherished her two great-grandsons whom she cared for two days a week. She thoroughly enjoyed playing games with them and fervently loving them. She eventually moved to South Dennis, MA, into the home of her daughter and son-in-law Tony, where she lived with Lecia's loving assistance for the past three years.

Nana, as she was known to her family, will be remembered for her fierce self- reliance, her lavish holiday meals, her self-deprecating, dry humor, her altruistic love and kindness toward her children grandchildren, great-grandchildren and their families.

She was predeceased by her three sisters and husband. She is survived by her daughter, Lecia Rando, and her husband, Tony; son, Bob, and his wife, Patti; and son, Mark, and his wife, Judy; granddaughters, Jahnaa Scully and her husband Tom, Chloe, Adrienne and Victoria Mendelson; grandsons, Ben and Kyle Mendelson; great-grandsons, Oliver and Hudson Scully; and many nieces and nephews.

Burial Service will be private at Sharon Memorial Park. All are welcome to a gathering to honor Geri's memory to be held on Tuesday, April 25 at her granddaughter's house, 57 Church Street, Canton, MA from 4 to 8 PM.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the McCarthy Care Center in Sandwich, MA or the American Heart Association.

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STELLA, George A.

Age 84, a lifelong resident of greater Lawrence, passed away on Friday, April 21, 2023 from complications of surgery. George was born in Lawrence, MA on Tuesday, August 30, 1938, the first-born of the late Michael T. Stella and Mary A. (Campione) Stella. He lived in the greater Lawrence community his entire life. He was the husband of Elizabeth "Elaine" (Keany) Stella.

A graduate of Holy Rosary Grammar School, Central Catholic High School, and George received a Bachelor's Degree from Boston University, and in 1965, he received a J.D. Degree from Boston University.

George enlisted in the Unites States Army Finance Corps and served his country while stationed in Seoul, Korea from 1958 and 1959. Upon his return and completion of his law degree and admission to the Massachusetts Bar Association, George joined his father, Michael T. Stella, Sr. in the general practice of law.

In 1967, he was appointed an Assistant Attorney General by Elliot Richardson, serving under Robert Quinn and Francis Bellotti as well in that position.

George served as President of the North Andover Community Action Council and later the Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, and the Methuen City Council. During that time, he was instrumental in the formation of Merrimack Valley Legal Services. He was Board of Director of the Marconi Credit Union from 1967 to 1991.

A co-founder of the Citizens League of Adult Special Services, George was also on the Board of Directors of the Psychological Center, Inc., and the Greater Lawrence Revolving Fund and Challenge House. He was also a longtime member of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, serving as Clerk and Chairman of the Board.

Member of the Holy Family Hospital Mens Guild and the Holy Rosary Holy Name Society, he was a longtime member of the Sons of Italy, serving on its Board of Directors. In 2009, he was the recipient of the Ralph Wilkenson Good Citizenship Award given by the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Until his retirement, George maintained a law office in Lawrence. Upon his retirement, he and his wife Elaine spent several happy winters at his home in Boynton Beach, FL, where he established many lasting friendships.

In addition to his parents, George was predeceased by his son George A. Stella, Jr.; and his brother Michael T. Stella, Jr.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Elaine Stella; sister Marilyn Stella; sisters-in-law, Barbara Stella, Joan Brown; and brother-in-law Douglas Brown.

Visiting Hours: In lieu of flowers, donations in George's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend visitation on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 between 3:00-6:00 PM at Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley Street, Methuen, MA. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 10:00 AM at Holy Rosary Shrine, 35 Essex Street, Lawrence, MA. For directions or to leave a condolence, please visit www.cataudellafh.com

Cataudella Funeral Home
126 Pleasant Valley Street,
Methuen, MA 01844

STONE, Gordon H.

Age 79, of Quincy, formerly of Somerville and Colorado, on April 14, 2023. "Rocky" was son of the late Margaret C. (Kaufman) Stone. Please call the Clancy-Lucid Funeral Home in Weymouth to inquire about his Funeral at 781-337-1414.

VOZZELLA, Gina M. (Perella)

Of Roslindale, April 22, 2023, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family. Beloved wife of the late Alfred A. "Tootsy" Vozzella, Sr. Loving mother of Sandra Vozzella of Roslindale, Alfred Vozzella, Jr. and his wife Laurie of Carver, Paul Vozzella of Roslindale and his partner Kristen Schuler and Rosanne Vozzella of Roslindale and her boyfriend Michael Garofalo. Cherished grandmother of Amelia and her husband Brett Harris, Alec and his wife Lesley, and Paul Anthony Vozzella. Great-Gigi of Nora. Loving sister of Louie and his wife Mary, and the late Chester Perella and his wife Charlene, and Dante Perella and his surviving wife Lidia. Funeral from The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Wednesday, April 26, at 9:00 am. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in St. John Chrysostom Church at 10:00 am. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours in the funeral home on Tuesday, April 25, from 3:00 to 8:00 pm. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to The American Stroke Association.

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YANCO, Thelma R. (Landsman)

Age 99 years, of Boca Raton, FL, formerly of Newton on Thursday, April 20, 2023.

For 72 years, she was the beloved wife of the late Herbert M. Yanco. Loving mother of Stephen Yanco & his wife Elizabeth "Lisa" Yanco, Leslie Yanco, and Karen Johnson. Adored grandmother of furbaby Gremlin. Dear sister of Phyllis Lipof and the late Arlene Siegel and Alvin Landsman. Dear sister-in-law of the late Ruth Pass, Albert Yanco, and Annette Feldman.

Thelma was a licensed Social Worker, receiving her Master's degree in social work from Boston University. She worked for many family service associations in greater Boston and also worked as a Medical Social Worker at Spaulding Rehabilitation.

Graveside services at Sharon Memorial Park, 40 Dedham St., Sharon on Wednesday, April 26 at 10:45am.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to ALSAC/St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, www.stjude.org

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ZEIDMAN, Marcia M. (Feinberg)

Of Canton, formerly of Brookline, passed away peacefully on April 22, 2023. Beloved wife of 50 years of the late Morton Zeidman. Adoring mother of Lisa, Nancy and her husband Thomas Peel, and the late Debra Sue Zeidman. Loving grandmother of Debra, Jennifer and Michael Peel. Dear sister of Elinor King, and the late Joan Snyder. Devoted daughter of the late Pauline and Louis Feinberg.

She was an active member at Orchard Cove where she especially loved to teach water aerobics, knit for Project Linus, play Mahjong, play Scrabble and make lots of puzzles. She had been an avid tennis player, winning many trophies in her younger years. During her retirement years she enjoyed going to her second home in Boynton Beach, Florida where she actively continued to play tennis, swim, teach water aerobics and make many friendships. She had a love of Judaism and attended services often.

A funeral service will be held at the Chapel at Sharon Memorial Park, 40 Dedham Street, Sharon on Tuesday, April 25 at 1:00 pm. Following the interment, memorial observance will be at Nancy and Tom Peel's home until 8:00pm and on Wednesday from 2:00-4:00pm and 6:00-8:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Marcia's name may be made to the Debra Sue Zeidman Scholarship Fund, c/o Temple Emeth, 194 Grove Street, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467.

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Bud Shuster, 91; 'asphalt king' of Congress

By Sam Roberts
NEW YORK TIMES

DENNIS COOK/ASSOCIATED PRESS/FILE

Mr. Shuster, a Pennsylvania Republican and chairman, presided over a hearing on airline safety before the House Transportation Committee in 1996.

Bud Shuster, a former longtime Republican congressman from Pennsylvania who was crowned the "king of asphalt" because he funneled billions of dollars in gasoline tax revenue to his Appalachian district for highway construction, died Wednesday at his farm in Everett, Pa. He was 91.

His death, from complications of a hip fracture two weeks ago, was confirmed by Rebekah Sungala, a close family friend.

During his 28 years in Congress, including three terms as chair of the House Transportation Committee, Mr. Shuster managed to divert a disproportionately large share of federal highway trust funds into pedestrian crossings, access roads, interchanges, buses, road widening, and the Bud Shuster Highway, which links State College, Altoona, and the Pennsylvania Turnpike in southern Pennsylvania.

By 1991, he had perfected the earmarking of federal funds to his district so successfully that when Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, a New York Democrat, was asked which state had reaped the biggest slice of the highway trust-fund pie, he replied, "The state of Altoona."

Mr. Shuster's two signature pieces of legislation were the 1998 surface transportation bill, which reserved revenue from gasoline taxes for road and transit projects, and a 2000 bill guaranteeing that money from a tax on airline tickets would be dedicated to aviation.

In 2000, the House Ethics Committee reproved Mr. Shuster for "serious official misconduct," its mildest form of punishment, because he had allowed his former chief of staff, Ann M. Eppard, to play a major role in his congressional office for 18 months after she resigned to become a transportation industry lobbyist, and because he had accepted improper gifts from her.

He said he had "complied with the law" and with his "understanding of what was right," but he accepted the negotiated punishment to "stop the hemorrhaging of legal fees."

In 2001, one day after he was sworn in for his 15th term, Mr. Shuster stunned fellow members of the House by announcing his resignation. He blamed his wife's failing health and party rules that limited committee chairmen to three two-year terms.

"After being the quarterback of a Super Bowl championship team," he told the Associated Press at the time, "I have no desire to play backup."

He was succeeded by his son Bill, who won a special election and served in the House until 2019.

Bud Shuster ran unopposed for reelection nine times. His last major challenge was in 1984, when he easily defeated actress Nancy Kulp, the Democratic nominee, who had played Jane Hathaway, a banker's loyal secretary, on the 1960s-era sitcom "The Beverly Hillbillies."

Representative Sam Graves, a Missouri Republican who now heads the Transportation Committee, said of Mr. Shuster in a statement issued after his death, "Our nation's highways, aviation system, ports and waterways, rail network, water systems and more all benefited from his ability to bring together members of Congress from across the political spectrum in support of infrastructure."

Elmer Greinert Shuster was born Jan. 23, 1932, in Glassport, Pa., a former railroad and mining hub about 10 miles south of Pittsburgh. His father, Prather, was a bricklayer. His mother, Grace, was a homemaker.

Mr. Shuster once said he had been inspired to pursue a political career when, at age 11, he saw his neighbors gathered around a local congressman appealing for his help.

He graduated with a bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1954 and served in the Army as an infantry lieutenant from 1954-56. He earned a master's in business administration from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh in 1960 and a doctorate in business and economics from American University in Washington.

Mr. Shuster married Patricia Rommel after they met in high school; she died in 2016.

He leaves his second wife, Darlene Johnston; his five children, William and Robert Shuster, Gia Dixon, Peg Statler, and Debbie Shuster King; 12 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He had been a vice president of the computer division of RCA in Washington and had founded his own software company when, without prior experience in electoral politics, he ran for the House of Representatives from Pennsylvania in 1972 in a Republican primary. He defeated the state party organization's candidate, a state senator.

He landed a seat on the Public Works Committee and began unapologetically funneling federal funds into his district to encourage construction of industrial parks and other economic development. He became Transportation Committee chair in 1995.

Mr. Shuster's $218 billion, six-year highway measure in 1998 included $9 billion in special projects nationwide, with $110 million worth designated for his district.

He once said, "I hope they put on my tombstone 40 years from now: 'He helped build America.'"

Ken Potts, 102, one of last 2 USS Arizona survivors

By Audrey McAvoy
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LANCE CPL. ROBERT SWEET/USMC/AP

Ken Potts died at his home.

HONOLULU — Ken Potts, one of the last two remaining survivors of the USS Arizona battleship, which sank during the 1941 Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, has died. He was 102.

Howard Kenton Potts died Friday at the home in Provo, Utah, that he shared with his wife of 66 years, according to Randy Stratton, whose late father, Donald Stratton, was Mr. Potts's Arizona shipmate and close friend.

Stratton said Mr. Potts "had all his marbles" but lately was having a hard time getting out of bed. When Stratton spoke to Mr. Potts on his birthday, April 15, he was happy to have made it to 102.

"But he knew that his body was kind of shutting down on him, and he was just hoping that he could get better but [it] turned out not," Stratton said.

Mr. Potts was born and raised in Honey Bend, Ill., and enlisted in the Navy in 1939.

He was working as a crane operator shuttling supplies to the Arizona the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, when the Pearl Harbor attack happened, according to a 2021 article by the Utah National Guard.

In a 2020 oral history interview with the American Veterans Center, Mr. Potts said a loudspeaker ordered sailors back to their ships so he got on a boat.

"When I got back to Pearl Harbor, the whole harbor was afire," he said in the interview. "The oil had leaked out and caught on fire and was burning."

Dozens of ships either sank, capsized, or were damaged in the bombing of the Hawaii naval base, which catapulted the United States into World War II.

Sailors were tossed or forced to jump into the oily muck below, and Mr. Potts and his fellow sailors pulled some to safety in their boat.

The Arizona sank just nine minutes after being bombed, and its 1,177 dead account for nearly half the servicemen killed in the attack. Today the battleship still sits where it sank eight decades ago, with more than 900 dead entombed inside.

Mr. Potts recalled decades later that some people were still giving orders in the midst of the attack but there was also a lot of chaos. He carried his memories of the attack over the course of his long life.

"Even after I got out of the Navy, out in the open, and heard a siren, I'd shake," he said.

Stratton noted that the only remaining survivor from the Arizona is now Lou Conter, who is 101 and living in California.

"This is history. It's going away," Stratton said, adding: "And once [Conter is] gone, who tells all their stories?"

Several dozen Arizona survivors have had their ashes interred on the sunken battleship so they could join their shipmates, but Mr. Potts didn't want that, according to Stratton.

"He said he got off once, he's not going to go back on board again," he said.

Stratton said many Arizona survivors shared a similar dry sense of humor. That included his own father, who was severely burned in the attack and also did not want to return to the ship as ashes in an urn.

"'I've been cremated once. I'm not going to be cremated twice,'" Donald Stratton joked, according to the younger Stratton, before his death in 2020 at age 97.

"They had that all throughout their lives. They had the sense of humor, and they knew sooner or later they would pass," Randy Stratton said. "Our job now is to keep their memories alive."

Mr. Potts leaves his wife, Doris. Information on other survivors was not immediately available.

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...jeopardize kids' success — and fuel inequality?

KARA MILLER

THE BIG IDEA

A few years ago, a friend told me that she planned to enroll her kids in an accelerated after-school math program, once they got a little older.

I asked if she worried that they would be bored in school. What if the after-school program had already taught them everything the teacher was teaching?

She shrugged, and told me that the smart kids in the school district went to enrichment classes. Their parents were largely engineers, she said, and if the engineers signed their children up for extra math, so would she. Boredom, shmoredom.

"That would have been a very strange story when I was little, and now it's a very common story," notes Matthias Doepke, an economist at the London School of Economics. He says "there is this aspect of a race," which has become particularly pronounced among America's upper middle class over the last few decades.

Indeed, according to a recent Pew survey, nearly half of American parents characterize themselves as "overprotective," more than double the number who say they give kids "too much freedom."

And that overprotectiveness may have unintended consequences.

Many adults remember a childhood playing sports with neighborhood kids during the afternoon, and being told to get home by 5:30 or 6 p.m. Now, in lots of leafy suburbs, where a soccer game could easily come together, you'll find the streets abandoned at 4 or 5.

Kids are busy: They're taking after-school math classes, being shuttled to ice hockey practice, enrolling in SAT prep courses, trying to get good enough at the viola that a college might want them for the orchestra.

Doepke, who coauthored the book *Love, Money, and Parenting*, argues that there's a clear rationale for parents to hover over their kids: income inequality. As inequality has surged over the last 50 years, middle- and upper-middle-class parents have increasingly worried that if their kids don't have the right kinds of credentials, the consequences will be dire.

> In countries with higher income inequality, parents tend to push their kids harder. In countries where people are more equal, parents are a lot more relaxed.

But in lots of countries, the way that many Americans parent would be considered both strange and unacceptable.

Doepke and his coauthor, Yale economist Fabrizio Zilibotti, examined the link between inequality and parenting styles across the world.

In countries with higher income inequality, parents tend to push their kids harder. In countries where people are more equal, parents are a lot more relaxed.

The World Values Survey found that countries that value "hard work" over other attributes are some of the most unequal — including Russia, China, Turkey, and the US. Countries where there's less inequality, and more of a safety net — like Japan, Sweden, and Germany — don't rank "hard work" as highly.

When Zilibotti spent time with his wife and daughter in Sweden, they noticed that Swedish nursery schools (which are free) encourage play and exploration, and discourage any kind of formal learning. And even when kids start school — at seven years old — "stress and anxiety are considered the prime evil from which children should be sheltered." They are not graded in subjects until turning 13.

Scandinavian countries may be outliers in this survey. But consider Japan, which is a bit more mainstream. In Japan, 25 percent of those polled believed that hard work is a top value to teach kids. In America, that number was 70 percent.

Which makes perfect sense.

Starting around 1980, Doepke says, inequality in the US began to surge, after "one of the most equal times we've probably ever had."

And a major piece of this surge was

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Bed Bath & Beyond files for bankruptcy as turnaround fails

By Eliza Ronalds-Hannon and Jeannette Neumann
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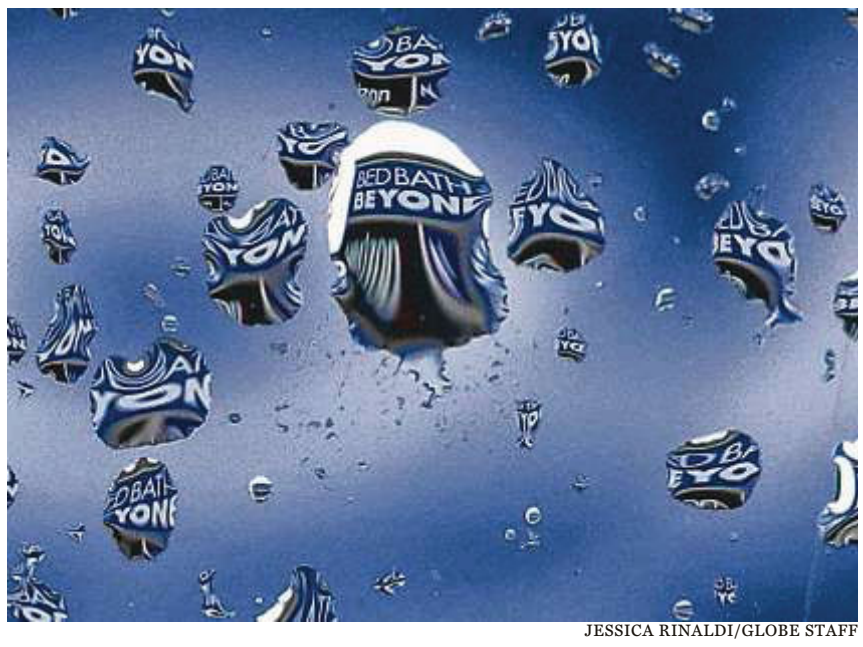

JESSICA RINALDI/GLOBE STAFF

The sign for a Bed Bath & Beyond store in Dedham was reflected in raindrops on a car window on Sunday. The closing of one of America's most well-known home goods retailers will put the jobs of thousands of employees on the line.

Bed Bath & Beyond Inc., the big-box retailer that for decades provided essential shopping for college dorms, wedding gifts, and new homes, will close all of its stores and liquidate inventory over the next two months after its turnaround failed, the company announced Sunday.

In its filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, the company said it would begin shuttering 360 Bed Bath & Beyond stores and 120 Buy Buy Baby shops immediately, though Bed Bath & Beyond said it's also searching for a buyer for some or all of its assets.

The closing of one of America's most well-known home goods retailers will put the jobs of thousands of employees — and their retirement savings and severance pay — on the line. The company, based in Union, N.J., currently employs about 14,000 people in the United States. Among its initial requests in bankruptcy is to pay about $76 million of employee wages and benefits.

The timing of the winddown will be swift, according to court documents. Bed Bath & Beyond expects all sales at the remaining brick-and-mortar stores to be completed and the properties vacated by June 30.

"We appreciate that our customers have trusted us through the most important milestones in their lives," the company said in an e-mail to shoppers. "Our stores are open and serving customers. However, we have initiated a process to wind down operations."

The news was disheartening to shoppers Sunday afternoon.

"I love this store. They usually have a great selection," said Karen Smith-Lichtenstein, 65, of Walpole as she strolled at the outlet at Patriot Place in Foxborough.

There were few, if any, signs of the company's bankruptcy filing. The store appeared well stocked and even had "Now Hiring" fliers posted around the sales floor.

Bob and Lorraine Cooke of Norfolk said they have been shopping at the Patriot Place store for years and said it is their "go-to" place for home furnishings, bedding, and other items.

The company's expected closure of stores by the end of June is "a shame," Bob Cooke said.

"It offers things that other stores don't offer, and there aren't many stores left like it," said Cooke, 87.

They were shopping for a new vacuum cleaner — a task they would rather do in a brick-and-mortar store than

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Running the numbers

Retailers put up a fight as state prepares to finally usher in online lottery

JON CHESTO

CHESTO MEANS BUSINESS

Last year, scratch-off tickets and number games brought in more than $330 million in revenue to the stores that sell them across Massachusetts. Then there were all the other purchases — a quart of ice cream here, a half-gallon of milk there — that people picked up along with their lottery tickets. They're tougher to tally, but probably even more important.

Add it all up, and the state lottery means megabucks for many retailers. Now, they worry this cash cow is under threat.

After years of talk on Beacon Hill, Massachusetts seems poised to move the lottery online. House leaders included legislation to do so in its latest state budget proposal, set to be debated Monday. The goal: bring in an extra $200 million a year by pursuing a younger audience, one more likely to play games on their phones than to buy scratch tickets at the corner store. That money would go toward badly needed subsidies for child care centers.

But the merchants aren't giving in without a fight.

The Retailers Association of Massachusetts and the Massachusetts Package Stores Association just launched separate lobbying efforts against the move to digital lottery sales. Their fear is simple. They've seen everything from news to groceries to beer move online. A digital lottery would be one more hit.

The groups submitted testimony in opposition last week to the Legislature's committee on consumer protection and professional licensure, which held a hearing to discuss lottery bills on Thursday. The real fight will take place in the budget debate, because House leaders already put this language into their version of the must-pass annual spending bill.

RAM asked its members on Wednesday to write to their state lawmakers and oppose the online lottery legislation and a separate budget provision that would allow for lottery sales — which are currently cash-only — via debit card (causing merchants to pay an interchange fee, increasing their costs). The retailers association argues one of the biggest reasons that Massachusetts has the most successful lottery in the country is its network of roughly 7,500 brick-and-mortar sellers — which get 5-percent commissions and 1-percent winning ticket bonuses, not to mention all that crucial foot traffic,

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EXECUTIVES

NBCUNIVERSAL CEO SHELL DEPARTS OVER 'INAPPROPRIATE CONDUCT'

Jeff Shell, the chief executive of NBCUniversal and one of the media industry's renowned executives, is departing the company after an investigation into inappropriate conduct, parent company Comcast announced Sunday. In a brief statement, Shell (left) said Sunday would be his last day after what he called "an inappropriate relationship with a woman in the company." "I'm truly sorry I let my Comcast and NBCUniversal colleagues down, they are the most talented people in the business and the opportunity to work with them the last 19 years has been a privilege," said Shell, who has been CEO of NBCUniversal since January 2020. He joins several media industry executives who have left their posts in recent years over inappropriate relations, including others at NBCUniversal. Three years ago, NBCUniversal Vice Chairman Ron Meyer, a Hollywood power player, left the company after revealing he received threats of extortion following a settlement with a woman with whom he had an affair. And last year, Jeff Zucker abruptly resigned as president of CNN while acknowledging a consensual relationship with another network executive — an entanglement that surfaced during a probe of now-fired anchor Chris Cuomo. Former CBS Chief Les Moonves resigned in September 2018, just hours after reports of multiple allegations of sexual misconduct against him. As CEO of NBCUniversal, Shell oversaw the company's portfolio of news and entertainment television networks, a premier motion picture company, significant television and sports production operations, and a leading television stations group, according to the company website. He also oversaw the company's theme parks and a premium ad-supported streaming service. Previously, Shell was chairman of NBCUniversal Film and Entertainment. In that role, he oversaw the content creation, as well as the programming and distribution engines behind NBCUniversal's film and network television businesses, including NBC Entertainment, Universal Filmed Entertainment Group, Telemundo, and NBCUniversal International. Comcast did not say who will succeed Shell.

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MEDIA

FOX'S SETTLEMENT WITH DOMINION UNLIKELY TO COST IT $787.5M

Fox Corp.'s $787.5 million settlement with Dominion Voting Systems over defamation charges is eye-popping, but the ultimate cost to the media company is likely to be much lower. On Tuesday, Fox settled with Dominion over charges that Fox News baselessly accused the company of rigging its voting machines against former president Donald Trump in 2020. It was the most-watched media libel case in decades. Fox had about $4 billion of cash on hand as of December 2022, and MoffettNathanson analyst Robert Fishman expects the company to pay the settlement during the current quarter. How much the lawsuit will actually end up costing Fox is unclear because there are ways it can defray some of the expense, primarily through insurance and the use of tax deductions. Fox can deduct the Dominion settlement from its income taxes as an expense necessary for the cost of doing business. Fox chief communications officer Brian Nick has confirmed the deductibility of the settlement. Big companies often deduct large settlements to help offset some of the cost, but since settlement amounts are usually confidential, it's difficult to pin down exactly how much they benefit. Payments that are seen as restitution or compensation can be deducted, while payments made to the government or at the direction of a government are usually not deductible. Robert Willens, a tax professor at the Columbia University School of Business, estimates that after the tax write-off, Fox will incur about three-fourths of the settlement amount, about $590 million. "The key is that if the payments are being made to private parties and not at the behest of the government then you can pretty much conclude without any fear of contradiction that the payment will be deductible," he said. Also, if Fox is insured, insurance is likely to cover some of the settlement. Chad Milton, a partner at Media Risk Consultants, said a large media company such as Fox could have anywhere between $100 million to $500 million in coverage, including media liability insurance and other types of insurance.

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Retailers put up a fight against online lottery

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from lottery sales.

The state should be reinvesting in these businesses, RAM says, rather than hurting them.

Meanwhile, MassPack executive director Rob Mellion rattled off several "government advocated hits" on liquor stores, in his testimony: a state ban on sales of flavored tobacco products, legalization of recreational cannabis, allowing restaurants to continue serving "cocktails to go." Even if online sales lead to net growth in revenue at the Lottery, whose profits are distributed to cities and towns via local aid, the shift will "take another bite out of brick-and-mortar retail," Mellion wrote.

Momentum for online lottery in Massachusetts has been growing in recent years. Lottery officials, led by state Treasurer Deb Goldberg, have long made the case that digital sales are necessary to evolve into the 21st century and attract younger players. The House included online lottery in its economic development bill last year. But time ran out, and legislators ended up passing a pared-down version stripped of controversial policy changes like that one.

Now, the Legislature's approval of mobile sports betting has added another motivation: the fear that sports betting apps will eat into lottery sales, which set a record of $5.9 billion in the last fiscal year.

Online lottery advocates point to a 2022 Spectrum Gaming report, commissioned by NeoPollard Interactive, that shows no significant cannibalization of brick-and-mortar sales in states where online lottery sales were introduced. (NeoPollard is among the three main companies that provide digital lottery technology to states and have been lobbying in Massachusetts, along with IGT and Scientific Games.) For example, traditional lottery sales continued to rise in Pennsylvania and in Michigan after those states launched "iLottery" games in the 2010s. At some point, all consumer-facing industries need a digital presence, Spectrum contends, and that time has come for state lotteries.

LANE TURNER/GLOBE STAFF/FILE

The Retailers Association of Massachusetts says a big reason that the state has the most successful lottery in the country is its network of roughly 7,500 brick-and-mortar sellers.

Through a spokeswoman, House Speaker Ron Mariano said the House proposal will ensure the lottery can attract new customers and remain competitive with the online sports betting industry, while supporting affordable early education and child care across the state.

The money would go to a popular program. Aaron Michlewitz, Mariano's budget chief, said this new revenue source will support the C3 grant program that costs nearly $500 million a year. State officials started this program with federal pandemic assistance funds. As the money from Washington runs out, the Legislature wants to continue using it to stabilize the state's early-education system. Because lottery profits already support local education budgets, Michlewitz said, this use of online lottery proceeds is a natural extension.

The House's budget writers did suggest some safeguards for retailers. The budget language requires promotional activities to help drive traffic in brick-and-mortar stores, such as the sale of prepaid gift cards. It would also create an independent board that would meet monthly to advise the state lottery commission on the digital expansion; RAM would get a seat on this board, as well as other trade groups representing convenience stores and restaurants.

To president Jon Hurst and his colleagues at RAM, though, these steps aren't enough. They say the nine states with online lotteries have not seen significant per-capita spending growth after starting them. If Massachusetts remains the country's top performing lottery, based on per-capita sales, why change things?

RAM didn't seek a budget amendment to strike the House language. That seemed like it would be a wasted effort, though the group is planning on expressing its concerns in an email to House members on Monday. Hurst said RAM will focus more on the Senate, which will put out its own spending plan later this spring before coming up with a final budget through negotiations with the House. Governor Maura Healey recently indicated she would support the online lottery legislation if it reaches her desk.

Disruption may seem inevitable when you run a brick-and-mortar shop in a digital age. Proponents of this latest ecommerce shift are betting there will be few, if any, losers as a result. The retailers who are fighting back, though, don't think that is a safe bet at all.

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Tesla offers a system it calls Full Self-Driving that assists drivers who are fully responsible for operating the car.

Musk willing to bet Tesla's profits on driverless cars

But it has yet to deliver on years of his promises

By Sean O'Kane and Craig Trudell
BLOOMBERG NEWS

Elon Musk is years behind on his ambition to render Tesla Inc.'s cars fully autonomous. He's now saying in no uncertain terms that he's willing to bet the company's profit margins on making it happen.

Musk said on a conference call last week that Tesla has the wherewithal to sell cars at "zero profit" and then earn immense sums later off driverless software.

The trouble with that for investors? His predictions since at least 2019 that autonomous Teslas are just around the corner haven't panned out.

"We're the only ones making cars that technically we could sell for zero profit for now, and then yield actually tremendous economics in the future through autonomy," Musk said April 19. "I'm not sure how many of you will appreciate the profundity of what I've just said, but it is extremely significant."

The challenge Musk has had turning driverless visions into reality isn't stopping him from going forward with markdowns that threaten to set off a price war.

The Austin, Texas-based company has lowered the price of its top-selling Model Y by 29 percent across the last few months. It's dented the company's margins and spooked investors who worry about profit margin deterioration.

The dream of a truly self-driving car is one that has animated the auto industry for years and Tesla's chief executive has been one of its biggest proponents. But the company has yet to deliver on promises for a robotaxi-led future.

Tesla offers a system it calls Full Self-Driving that — contrary to its name — merely assists human drivers who are fully responsible for operating the vehicle and must keep their hands on the wheel and eyes on the road.

The company charges customers $15,000 for the optional system and defers some of that revenue because it's not a finished product. It won't be until the feature lives up to its name — something Musk claimed may happen this year.

"Elon Musk dipped into the well and recycled prior comments around FSD being complete by year-end, demand outstripping supply and vehicles being an appreciating asset over time as full self-driving becomes a reality," Jeffrey Osborne, a Cowen & Co. analyst, said in a note about the CEO's April 19 comments. "We question all of these assumptions."

Tesla has begun to recognize some of that deferred revenue, including $324 million in the fourth quarter of last year — by far the most ever. But even with that bigger-than-usual haul, Tesla has been recognizing less deferred revenue than forecast in recent filings. At $639 million, its projection for 2023 is the lowest in almost four years.

Chief financial officer Zachary Kirkhorn didn't say on a first-quarter earnings call how much deferred revenue Tesla recognized in the period but acknowledged it had played a factor in the company's smaller profit margin.

Seth Goldstein at Morningstar Research interprets Musk's zero-profit vision as "more of a theoretical" but said in an interview the broader strategic goal of making money from selling software services to existing customers makes sense.

"Elon's point is that the greater proportion of people you can get in a [Tesla], the more potential software purchasers there will be," Goldstein said. "And then over time that can become a very profitable and valuable business because it's very high margin."

Kirkhorn indicated Tesla hasn't abandoned the idea of making money on the cars it sells, telling analysts that reinvestment funded by cash generated from product sales is "very important for us." But the company's cash flow fell to a two-year low in the first quarter.

Other automakers are watching the EV market leader's moves closely as they ramp up production of their own battery-powered vehicles. How far Tesla is willing to go to slash prices — and margins — remains a wild card.

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> ELON MUSK
> *Tesla chief executive*

Retailer to close stores, liquidate

STEPHANIE KEITH/BLOOMBERG

In its bankruptcy filing, the company said it would begin shuttering 360 Bed Bath & Beyond stores immediately.

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online.

"I don't like to shop online," said Lorraine Cooke, 81. "I like to touch and feel what I'm buying."

In its filing, the company estimates that aggregate net proceeds from all sales will be approximately $718 million, according to court documents, and the retailer has about $1.8 billion in total funded debt obligations. The company estimated it had assets of $4.4 billion and total debt of $5.2 billion as of late November, and the number of creditors is between 25,001 and 50,000, with BNY Mellon having the biggest unsecured claim of $1.18 billion.

The retailer told customers it would stop accepting coupons and membership discounts on April 26.

Smith-Lichtenstein said the retailer offers great discounts through its coupons and staff frequently honor the discounts even when they have expired.

"I don't think there is another store that replaces it — maybe Target," she said.

For all the details in the shutdown plan, the company also said it may "pivot away" from store closings if it draws suitors.

"Bed Bath & Beyond has pulled off long shot transactions several times in the last six months, so nobody should think Bed Bath & Beyond will not be able to do so again," the filing said.

The company's chief financial officer, Holly Etlin, will serve as chief restructuring officer to manage the bankruptcy.

"Defying all expectations over the past four months, Bed Bath & Beyond secured credit agreement waivers and amendments and was able to access the equity markets in February and March in a last-ditch effort to avoid bankruptcy," Etlin said in a sworn statement.

"But, in-store sales continued to decline — with fourth quarter sales falling by almost $1 billion dollars year over year — and strained vendor credit relationships which led to a lack of inventory. And notwithstanding painstaking, creative, and exhaustive efforts to right the ship along the way, Bed Bath & Beyond is simply unable to service its funded debt obligations while simultaneously supplying sufficient inventory to its store locations," the statement said.

The retailer had received a last-minute lifeline from the hedge fund Hudson Bay Capital Management — a deal that would have given Bed Bath & Beyond more than $1 billion under certain conditions. But the company failed to meet stock-price minimums, and the deal was terminated.

A unit of Sixth Street Partners is providing the company with a $240 million loan to help it fund itself in bankruptcy.

The demise of Bed Bath & Beyond, which was founded in 1971 and grew into one of the country's largest big-box chains, is not, as some pundits have insisted, an example of the inevitable decline of brick-and-mortar retailers that struggle to compete against Amazon.com Inc. Instead, Bed Bath & Beyond is largely responsible for its own undoing, according to suppliers, analysts, and former managers and employees. For nearly a decade, the retailer's leadership teams made decisions that pushed the company, little by little, toward the brink of financial collapse, they said.

John Hilliard of the Globe staff contributed to this report.

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In countries with higher income inequality, parents tend to push their kids harder. In countries where people are more financially equal, parents are a lot more relaxed.

The link between inequality and helicopter parenting

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the rise in the "college premium," the amount that the average college graduate makes, versus the average high school graduate. College grads used to make about 40 percent more. Now it's closer to 100 percent.

Not surprisingly, the pressure to get kids into college — often, prestigious colleges — has spiked. Since 1960, both mothers and fathers have doubled the number of hours per week that they spend with their kids. And family sizes in the US have decreased substantially over the last few decades, so all that time is being lavished on fewer children.

Which is to say: American parents used to be a lot more like Scandinavian or Japanese parents. Until inequality made us believe that there was no such thing as being too intense.

Ironically, though, by trying to help children win in the short term, we may be imperiling their long-term success.

Doepke argues that we often emphasize activities and achievements that can go on a college application, to the exclusion of everything else. Though jobs demand teamwork, and reward those who can cope with imperfect situations, the college admissions process highlights individual achievements and unrelenting perfectionism.

Julie Lythcott-Haims, a former Stanford dean, wrote in 2015 about the worrying changes that she and her colleagues saw in kids and their families. It was, she noted, "a new phenomenon — parents on the college campus, virtually and literally. Each subsequent year would bring an increase in the number of parents who did things like seek opportunities, make decisions, and problem solve for their sons and daughters — things that college-aged students used to be able to do for themselves."

Doepke notes that we've seen a major uptick in depression and anxiety among kids. And while some of that is undoubtedly due to social media, intense competition is tough on both students and their parents.

For parents with less means, the psychological stress of America's divergent economic outcomes is acute. And the pressure to get kids into college — even if that college isn't Princeton — can be tough to shoulder.

Nazli Kibria, a sociologist at Boston University, says that families struggling to stay in the middle class see what richer people are doing. And they increasingly put pressure on themselves to imitate it. She believes that "everyone now has at least the ideal in their head that good parenting means this kind of very involved, extra rich, supplemented parenting."

And that, Kibria says, can mean taking on extra jobs to pay for lessons, camps, and tutors. She sees low-income mothers investing their own time to figure out how to supplement kids' knowledge at home. And they may have to choose which of their kids seems most well-suited to attend college, because it would be impossible to pay more than one tuition.

Ironically, this rat race — which has intensified during a period of growing inequality — may do little to help those who finish first. Instead, research suggests, collaboration and creativity will soon become workers' real sources of value.

As the rise of AI has shown, memorization has its limits. But inventiveness and initiative have not yet been programmed. What if that SAT prep course is less important than a kid-organized soccer game? What if reassembling a broken clock is more useful than learning calculus before everyone else?

We are taking a huge risk by adopting this style of parenting, Doepke argues. There is a danger "that this streamlining of everybody doing the same thing in the same way stamps out innovation that we'd all benefit from."

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LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Matthew R. Post and Laura G. Post to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, dated November 21, 2003 and recorded in Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 41513, Page 490 (the "Mortgage"), as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated August 29, 2011, and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 57402, Page 459 of which mortgage U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-RP2 is the present holder by Assignment from Washington Mutual Bank, FA to Homecomings Financial Network, Inc. dated June 16, 2005 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 45790, Page 370, and Assignment from Homecomings Financial Network, Inc. to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-RP2 dated June 23, 2015 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 65644, Page 486, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 6 Isaac Davis Way, Acton, MA 01720 will be sold at a Public Auction at 2:00 PM on May 15, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Acton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and being shown as a parcel containing 98,232 square feet of land on an plan entitled "Land in Acton surveyed for Daniel H. Scarlett by Horace T. Tuttle" dated May 7, 1941, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 6496, Page 423, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a pipe in the stone wall on the easterly side on a private way called Isaac Davis Way as shown on said plan and thence running northerly 75 degrees 19' West 199.70 feet to a point; thence turning and running southerly 26 degrees 38' West 182.90 feet to a stone wall at land now or formerly of Lyman Priestor L.W. Bennett; thence turning and running northerly 54 degrees 02' West by the stone wall northerly 22 degrees 36' East 239.48 feet to a point; thence turning and running southerly 81 degrees 11' East by land of D.H. Scarlett 373.50 feet to a stake in the sone wall on the easterly side of said Isaac Davis Way; thence turning and running southerly 0 degrees 58' East by the stone wall along the easterly side of said Isaac Davis Way 188.70 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with a right of way over the private way call Isaac Davis Way, 25 feet wide, running from the Main Street to Hayward Road for all usual highway purposes.

EXCEPTING AND EXCLUDING THEREFROM THE FOLLOWING:

The Land and buildings thereon described in a Partial Release of Mortgage recorded August 21, 2020 at Book 75426, Page 55, and more particularly described as follows:

Parcel "A", as described as the land situated on Main Street, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, shown as Parcel A on a plan entitled "Plan of Land Main Street & Isaac Davis Road, Acton, Massachusetts, Prepared for Michael King, 14 Glendale Street, Maynard, Mass 01754," Scale 1 Inch = 40 feet, Dated: April 25, 2006, by Acton Survey & Engineering, Inc., duly recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds as Plan No.646 of 2006, only.

Said Parcel A contains 2,899 square feet of land, more or less, according to said plan. (See Quit Claim Deed at Book 50660, Page 529)

Subject mortgaged premises are depicted as Lot 2A on Plan No. 646 of 2006.

Being a portion of the premises conveyed to the herein name mortgagor(s) by deed recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds in Book 26568, Page 301.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 26568, Page 301.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of $10,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-RP2
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Every Sealed bid shall be submitted in accordance with the Invitation for Bids and shall be filed not later than **Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 11:00 a.m**. via the City's Supplier Portal at boston.gov/supplierportal.

Sealed bids shall be opened electronically by the Official on **Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.** at Boston City Hall, Department of Public Works Contracts Unit, **Room 714, One City Hall Plaza, Boston, MA 02201**.

Jascha Franklin-Hodge, Chief of Streets

(April 24, May 1, 2023)

(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket 23 SM 001463
ORDER OF NOTICE

To: Peter D. Stokinger; Pamela A. Delmar

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq):

Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc.,

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Mansfield, numbered 1162 West Street, given by Peter D. Stokinger and Pamela A. Delmar to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage Corp., a Florida Corporation, its successors and assigns, dated February 20, 2008, and recorded in Bristol County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 17329, Page 19, and now held by plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before May 22, 2023, or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of this Court on April 6, 2023.
Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
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(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket 23 SM 001436
ORDER OF NOTICE

To:
Rowan C. Baptiste Jr. AKA Rowan Baptiste Jr.; Samuel Elbert Baptiste

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq):

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, on behalf of the holders of Terwin Mortgage Trust 2006-17HE Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-17HE,

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Boston (Mattapan), numbered 119 Hazleton Street, given by Rowan C. Baptiste Jr. to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Lancaster Mortgage Bankers, LLC D/B/A Lancaster Mortgage, its successors and assigns, dated September 14, 2006, and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 40412, Page 196, and now held by plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before May 22, 2023, or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of this Court on April 5, 2023.
Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
22-009364

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Christopher Brauer, Kimberly A. Brauer n/k/a Kimberly A. Gaete to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Santander Bank, N.A., dated December 13, 2018 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 60543, Page 58, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Santander Bank, N.A., its successors and assigns to Santander Bank, N.A., recorded on June 13, 2022, in Book No. 67784, at Page 335

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM on May 15, 2023, on the mortgaged premises located at 8 Shrewsbury Road, Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:
Property Address: 8 Shrewsbury Road, Boston, MA 02132
The parcel of land with the building thereon, situated in that part of Boston called West Roxbury, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:
NORTHERLY by Shrewsbury Road, one hundred (100') feet;
EASTERLY: by Lot 3, as shown on a plan hereinafter mentioned, one hundred ten and 81/10 (110.81 ') feet;
SOUTHERLY: by land now or formerly of Lena M. Mahoney, as shown on said plan, on two line, forty-eight and 08/100 (48.08') feet and fifteen and 28/100 (15.28') feet, each respectively; and
WESTERLY: by Lot A, as shown on said plan, one hundred seventeen and 58/100 (117.58') feet;
Containing 9,408 square feet of land and being Lot 4 on a plan entitled "Plan of Land, Boston (W.Roxbury Dist.) Mass." dated September 10, 1949, by George C. Hallisey, Surveyor, recorded with Suffolk Deeds at the end of Book 6545.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 20916, Page 338.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:
A deposit of Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

SANTANDER BANK, N.A.
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Ruth M. Waltower to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Network, Incorporated its successors and assigns to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Nomura Asset Acceptance Corporation Mortgage Pass Through Certificates Series 2005-AP2, recorded on October 22, 2012, in Book No. 50361, at Page 267

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 AM on May 15, 2023, on the mortgaged premises located at 20 Pasadena Road, Dorchester (Boston), Suffolk County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:
A certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon situated in that part of Boston called Dorchester, numbered 20 Pasadena Road, and being Lot A on plan of land in Dorchester, dated May 24, 1926, M.E. Levy, C.E., recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 4817, Page 577, more particularly bounded and described as follows: NORTHEASTERLY by Pasadena Road, Fifty (50) feet; SOUTHEASTERLY by Lot 30 as shown on said plan, One Hundred Eight and 28/100 (108.20) feet; SOUTHWESTERLY by land of owners unknown, Fifty and 71/100 (50.71) feet; and NORTHWESTERLY by Lot B on said plan by three lines measuring respectively, Twenty and 5/10 (20.5) feet, Eighteen and 5/10 (18.5) feet, and Seventy-Two and 35/100 (72.35) feet. Containing 5,103 square feet as shown on said plan.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 7603, Page 116.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:
A deposit of Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR NOMURA ASSET ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2005-AP2
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
18635

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket No. 23 SM 001651
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Olivia R George, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of John A. George Badiaa George

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq):

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Dedham, numbered 234 Riverside Drive, given by John A. George to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Needham Bank, its successors and assigns, dated June 6, 2016, and registered at Norfolk County Registry District of the Land Court as Document No. 1354853 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 176296, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 6/5/2023 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 4/19/2023.
Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

INVITATION FOR SEALED BID: ELECTRICAL REPAIR TO PUBLIC WORKS BUILDINGS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS

Event ID: EV00012259

Contact information
stephen.flaherty@boston.gov
617-635-2867

The City of Boston, acting by its Commissioner, invites sealed bids for the performance of the work generally described above, and particularly set forth in the Invitation For bids which may be obtained by visiting the Supplier Portal at boston.gov/supplierportal and searching for Event ID **EV00012259**, commencing at **9:00 a.m. on Monday, April 24, 2023**.

Interested parties will be able to view and download bid packages and specifications by visiting boston.gov/supplierportal to locate event number **EV00012259**.

Every Sealed bid shall be submitted in accordance with the Invitation for Bids and shall be filed not later than **Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 11:00 a.m**. via the City's Supplier Portal at boston.gov/supplierportal.

Sealed bids shall be opened electronically by the Official on **Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.** at Boston City Hall, Department of Public Works Contracts Unit, **Room 714, One City Hall Plaza, Boston, MA 02201**.

Jascha Franklin-Hodge, Chief of Streets

(April 24, May 1, 2023)

LEGAL NOTICES

Newton Cemetery Corporation

A Special Meeting of the Newton Cemetery Corporation will be held in lieu of the Annual Meeting at the Office of the Corporation, 791 Walnut Street, Newton Centre, MA on Wed MAY 10, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. for the election of Trustees and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Adrian Bresler
Clerk

INVITATION FOR BIDS
CRHSAC20 – K9 Transport Truck

The Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), on behalf of the Central Region Homeland Security Advisory Council and in its role as Statewide Homeland Security Fiduciary, invites bids for one K9 transport truck. IFB information packets will be available starting April 24, 2023, at 9:00AM ET by contacting Brad Downey at 617-933-0755 or bdowney@mapc.org. Sealed bids will be opened on **May 9, 2023, at 11:00AM ET** via a virtual bid opening. Additional information on the bid opening can be found in the complete Invitation for Bids. MAPC reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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CRABGRASS by Tauhid Bondia

YOU MADE OUR CHILD RUN AWAY.
RUN AWAY?!
HE SNUCK OUT! THERE'S A DIFFERENCE!
OH, REALLY? BECAUSE--
...HANG ON. HE USED HIS CLOTHES TO MAKE THIS ROPE.
YOU DON'T THINK...
PSST! KEVIN!
OUT HERE!

ZITS by Jerry Scott & Jim Borgman

I HAD LUNCH WITH MY BUDDY PETE TODAY.
HE WAS POINTING OUT THE NUMBER OF "HELP WANTED" SIGNS WE PASSED ON THE WAY TO THE CAFE.
AND SUMMER JOB HARASSMENT SEASON BEGINS.
AND I SAID, "GOLLY, PETE! YOU'RE RIGHT!"

PLUGGERS by Rick McKee

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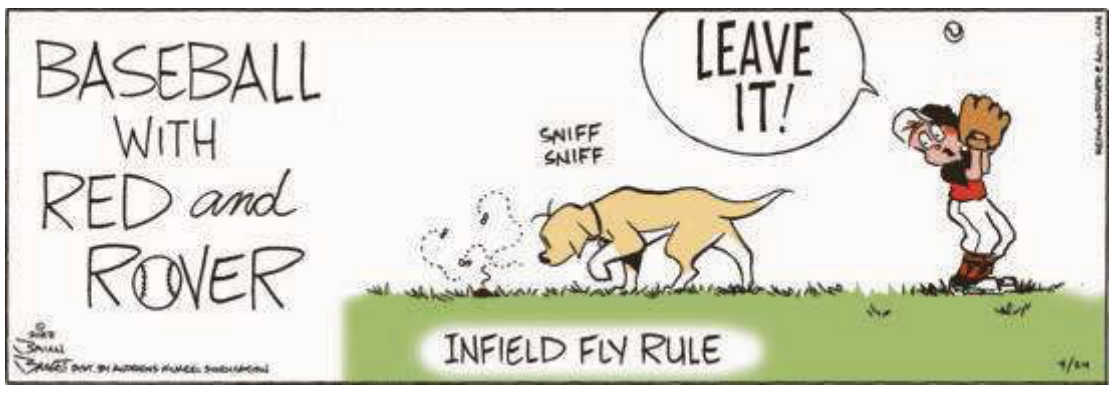
pluggermail@aol.com
HEY, GOOD TO SEE YOU, UH...UM...
Thanks to Scott Barkhurst Eugene, Oregon
Pluggers remember faces better than names.

DOONESBURY by Garry Trudeau

BERNIE, I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE PULLING THE PLUG! WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO NOW?
MIKE, YOU'RE SITTING ON AN INTERNET COMPANY THAT'S ALREADY BURNED THROUGH TWO MILLION BUCKS WITH AN UNPROVEN TECHNOLOGY AND NO CLEAR MARKETING STRATEGY!
I MEAN, WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU SHOULD DO?
FOLD? DECLARE BANKRUPTCY?
OH, MIKE, GROW UP— YOU GO PUBLIC!
OH...RIGHT. I KNEW THAT.

DUSTIN by Steve Kelley & Jeff Parker

RED & ROVER by Brian Basset



ARCTIC CIRCLE by Alex Hallatt

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE by Lynn Johnston

WALLPAPER SAMPLES? CATALOGS?
UH-HUH. -I'VE DECIDED TO REDO THE LIVING ROOM.
WHY?
WELL, THE DOWNSTAIRS COUCH WAS WRECKED BY THE FLOOD, SO I THOUGHT I'D PUT THE UPSTAIRS FURNITURE DOWNSTAIRS...AND GET NEW STUFF FOR UP HERE!!
BUT, ELLY, I THOUGHT WE WERE JUST GOING TO FIND ANOTHER JUNKY OLD COUCH FOR THE REC ROOM!
WE ARE!
THIS IS IT.

CURTIS by Ray Billingsley

YOU WERE RIGHT 'BOUT MICHELLE, BARRY
OF COURSE I WAS, CURTIS. YOU CANNOT UNBOIL AN EGG!
LEAVE HER ALONE, LIVE YOUR LIFE, GET OVER HER, NEVER LOOK BACK—YOU'LL BE HAPPIER!
YEAHH, I COULD BUY HER LOVE!
'CUSE ME WHILE I GO SPEAK TO THIS OTHER WALL

RHYMES WITH ORANGE by Hilary Price

THE PORTRAIT
The artist truly understood her subject.
IT'S AMAZING HOW THE EYES FOLLOW YOU AROUND THE ROOM... WHEN YOU HAVE FOOD.

ARLO & JANIS by Jimmy Johnson

OH, DEAR! I'M NOT SURE WHOSE WATER GLASS IS WHOSE!
I'D HARDLY CONSIDER THAT A BIG PROBLEM, WOULD YOU?
NO
NIGHT
NIGHT
I'LL JUST RINSE AND REFILL THEM QUICK LIKE!

UNIVERSAL CROSSWORD PUZZLE

COSTUME BALL BY DAVID DING AND ROSS TRUDEAU | EDITED BY DAVID STEINBERG

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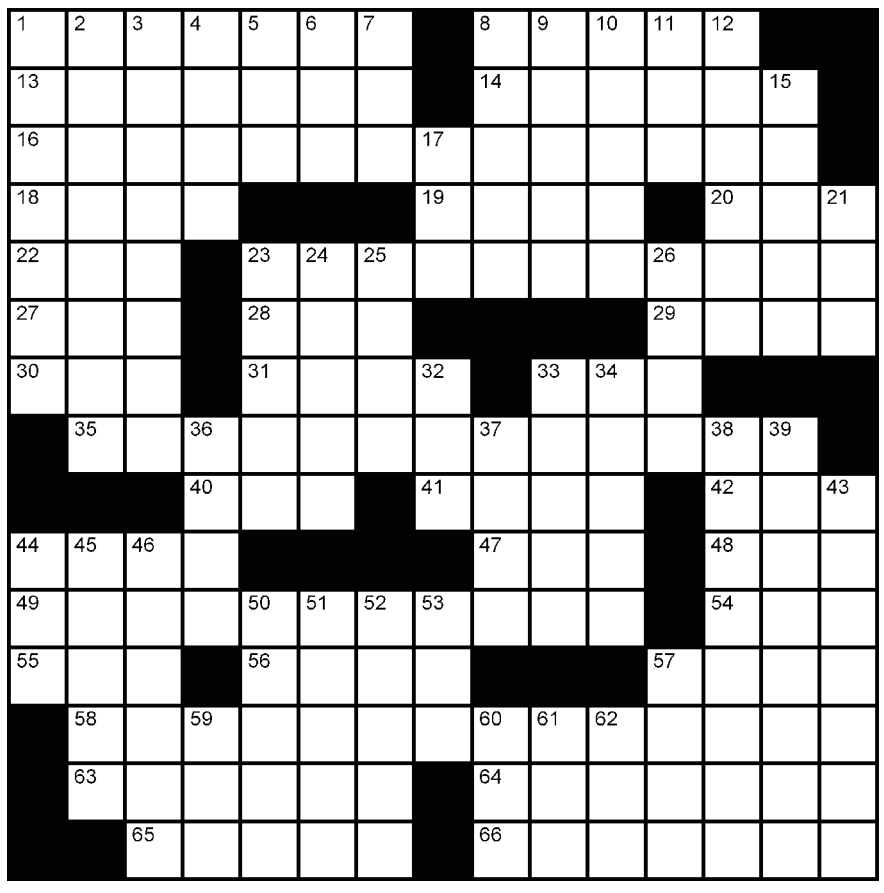
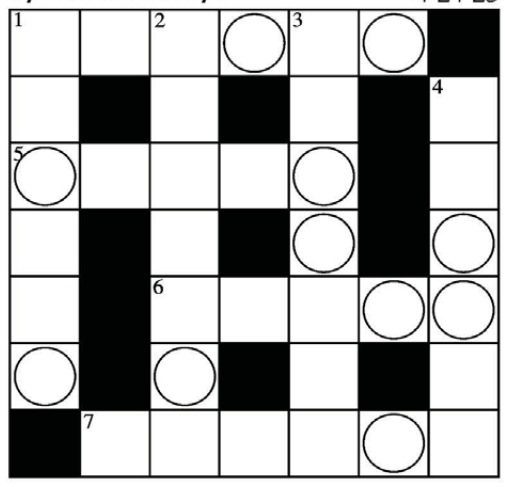


ACROSS

1 "The Waste Land" poet
8 Actor Hawke
13 Part-time paid athlete
14 Trimmed back
16 Company starter dressed as a horned fantasy creature?
18 It smells!
19 Looped in via email
20 Buck's mate
22 "___ Poetica"
23 Physician dressed as a sorceress?
27 Personal Nintendo character
28 Pop star Grande, to fans
29 Trims off
30 "Who am ___ argue?"
31 Blue Devils' North Carolina school
33 Sticky substance
35 Venture capitalist dressed as a heavenly being?
40 Exist
41 "___ even go there!"
42 Over-the-top actor
44 Cold War inits.
47 Recline
48 2017 Kendrick Lamar hit with a genetic title
49 Novelist dressed as a spirit?
54 Musical gift
55 Chinese dynasty of 206 B.C.-A.D. 220
56 "Ah, I see"
57 1908 election winner
58 October event for 16-, 23-, 35- and 49-Across
63 Anastasia in "Fifty Shades of Grey"
64 Comedian Amy who wrote "The Girl With the Lower Back Tattoo"
65 Chipped in?
66 People who plunder

DOWN

1 Wave that can be 1,720 feet high
2 Miss, in Mexico
3 Discharge of carbon dioxide, e.g.
4 Head parasites
5 NYSE debut
6 Bruins legend Bobby
7 Freight weight
8 Noteworthy period
9 Aligned
10 $100 bill, in slang
11 "Moreover ..."
12 Must
15 Sag
17 TV monitor?
21 Triage sites, for short
23 Crane or heron
24 Triumphant cry
25 ___ bar (mai tai seller)
26 Congeal
32 Wrap up
33 Granter of wishes
34 Big name in blenders
36 Fish with long snouts
37 V, in physics
38 "Heavens!"
39 Pursued rapidly
43 Joan of Arc and others
44 Cry of disgust
45 Palindromic Iranian rulers, once
46 Certain Beethoven piece
50 Vacant flat sign
51 2% alternative, in the dairy section
52 Propelled a boat
53 1950s prez
57 Without slack
59 Novelist Deighton
60 Night school subj.
61 Sgt., e.g.
62 Vietnamese noodle soup



ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Square root of 400	EWYTTN
5. Beastly, animal-like	RETBU
6. Angry	RTEIA
7. Think up	NENVIT

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Scratch pad	ATLETB
2. Avoidance	EUINOSL
3. Preadult	EETGNEA
4. Determined, resolute	NNTTIE

CLUE: This singer's original stage name was Joe Bari.

BONUS

How to play: Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

ANSWERS: 1A-Twenty 5A-Brute 6A-Irate 7A-Invent 1D-Tablet 2D-Elusion 3D-Teenage 4D-Intent B-Tony Bennett

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Boston's forecast

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TODAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

HIGH **51-56** LOW **41-46** | A shower in the area, mainly later. Winds NNW 7-14 mph. Mostly cloudy tonight. Winds NNW 7-14 mph.

TUESDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

HIGH **55-60** LOW **42-47** | Some sun, then turning cloudy with a passing shower or two. Winds NNE 6-12 mph. Partly cloudy at night. Winds SSW 6-12 mph.

WEDNESDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

HIGH **56-61** LOW **42-47** | Intervals of clouds and sunshine. Winds ENE 8-16 mph. Considerable cloudiness at night. Winds SSW 7-14 mph.

THURSDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

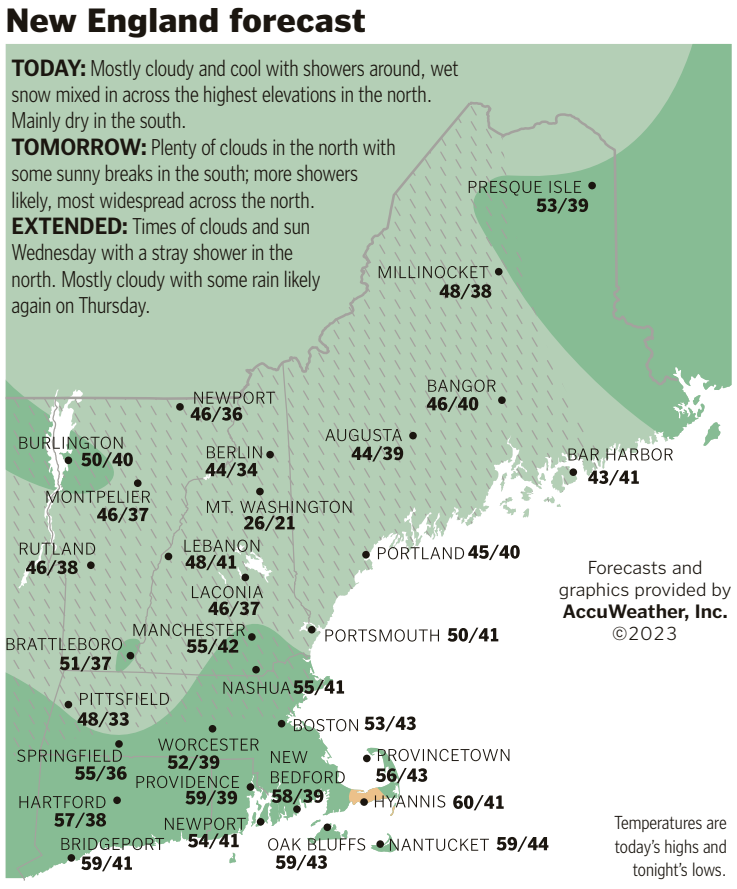
HIGH **52-57** LOW **42-47** | Mostly cloudy with occasional rain and drizzle in the afternoon. Winds E 8-16 mph. Mostly cloudy at night. Winds E 7-14 mph.

FRIDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

HIGH **51-56** LOW **42-47** | Breezy with rain possible. Winds E 15-25 mph. Breezy Friday evening; otherwise, partly cloudy. Winds SW 8-16 mph.

New England forecast

TODAY: Mostly cloudy and cool with showers around, wet snow mixed in across the highest elevations in the north. Mainly dry in the south.
TOMORROW: Plenty of clouds in the north with some sunny breaks in the south; more showers likely, most widespread across the north.
EXTENDED: Times of clouds and sun Wednesday with a stray shower in the north. Mostly cloudy with some rain likely again on Thursday.



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Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Almanac

Yesterday's high/low	51°/48°
Sunrise	5:50 a.m.
Sunset	7:35 p.m.
Moonrise	8:27 a.m.

Mount Washington (5 p.m. yesterday)

Weather	Rain and sleet
Visibility	1/16 of a mile
Wind	east-southeast at 48 m.p.h.
High/low temperature	36/21
Snow depth at 5 p.m.	0.0"

Allergies Source: Asthma & Allergy Affiliates, Inc.

Trees	Weeds	Grass	Mold
High	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

Yesterday's mold and spore rating.

Eastern Massachusetts air quality

GOOD MOD. UNHEALTHY HAZARDOUS
44
50 100 150 200 300

For more information on today's conditions, call the state hotline at (800) 882-1497 or Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection web site www.state.ma.us/DEP

24 Hr. Precipitation (valid at 5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.58"	Month to date	1.02"	Year to date	11.90"
Precip days in April	12	Norm. month to date	2.84"	Norm. year to date	13.61"

Climate data are compiled from National Weather Service records and are subject to change or correction.

Tides

	A.M.	P.M.
Boston high	2:40	3:21
Height	10.3	9.0
Boston low	9:06	9:15
Height	0.0	1.4
High tides		
Old Orchard ME	2:27	3:13
Hampton Beach NH	2:41	3:27
Plum Island	2:53	3:30
Ipswich	2:26	3:12

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Gloucester	2:40	3:21
Marblehead	2:40	3:21
Lynn	2:44	3:25
Scituate	2:44	3:22
Plymouth	2:49	3:24
Cape Cod Canal East	2:31	3:10
Cape Cod Canal West	1:32	
Falmouth	2:24	3:05

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Hyannis Port	3:47	4:46
Chatham	3:36	4:27
Wellfleet	2:54	3:35
Provincetown	2:49	3:30
Nantucket Harbor	3:47	4:43
Oak Bluffs	3:17	3:47
New Bedford	11:55	---
Newport RI	11:48	---

New England marine forecast

Small craft advisory
Gale warning Storm warning

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Boston Harbor	E 6-12 kts.	1 ft.	56/44
East Cape Cod Canal	NE 6-12 kts.	1-3 ft.	60/42
Buzzards Bay	SW 6-12 kts.	1-2 ft.	60/42

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Martha's Vineyard	SW 8-16 kts.	1-3 ft.	61/40
Nantucket	SW 8-16 kts.	2-4 ft.	57/43
Provincetown	E 6-12 kts.	2-3 ft.	56/42

For current Charles River Basin water quality, call (781) 788-0007 or go to http://www.charlesriver.org.

Cities

Forecast high and low temperatures and conditions

● Travel delays possible, **C** Clouds, **F** Fog, **H** Haze, **I** Ice, **Pc** Partly Cloudy, **R** Rain, **Sh** Showers, **S** Sun, **Sn** Snow, **Fl** Flurries, **T** Thunderstorms, **W** Windy

	Today		Tomorrow	
Atlanta	67/46	C	68/55	C
● Atlantic City	64/40	S	64/40	S
Charlotte	68/44	S	67/51	Pc
Chicago	53/41	Pc	49/36	Sh
Dallas	64/54	C	66/60	T
Denver	63/38	C	53/34	R
Detroit	49/33	Sh	50/37	Sh
● Fort Myers	85/67	T	87/67	T
Los Angeles	72/56	Pc	74/55	Pc
● Miami	84/71	T	84/72	T
New Orleans	75/62	Pc	79/67	C
New York City	62/45	Pc	60/47	Pc
● Philadelphia	62/43	Pc	61/45	Pc
Phoenix	93/68	S	90/65	S
● Salt Lake City	61/38	T	52/39	Sh
San Francisco	63/48	S	69/51	S
Seattle	56/44	Sh	57/43	Pc
Washington	63/44	Pc	62/47	S
Beijing	63/47	C	70/38	Pc
● Cancun	89/75	C	89/77	S
Mexico City	79/56	Pc	83/56	Pc
Montreal	50/40	C	53/36	C
Toronto	48/34	Fl	52/34	Sh
Vancouver	54/44	Sh	54/42	C
● Jerusalem	71/49	S	72/48	S
● London	52/37	Sh	54/39	C
Moscow	71/47	C	65/49	C
● Paris	57/42	Sh	55/42	C
● Rome	67/51	T	69/46	Pc
San Juan	82/72	Pc	84/72	Pc
● Stockholm	45/36	R	53/39	Sh
Tokyo	62/51	Pc	65/58	C

SUDOKU

1	6			7			2	
	7	2			1	6		
8			3			7		
							5	
6			4		5			8
	2							
		5			6			9
		8	5			1	7	
	1			9			3	4

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3X3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Puzzle difficulty levels: Easy on Monday and Tuesday, more difficult on Wednesday and Thursday, most difficult on Friday and Saturday. Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com.

DAILY BRIDGE CLUB

BY FRANK STEWART

West dealer — Both sides vulnerable

North
♠ A Q 4
♡ K 7 4
♢ K J 9
♣ K 9 5 3

West
♠ K 10 8
♡ J 10 9 8 3
♢ A 6 2
♣ A 6

East
♠ 6 3
♡ A Q 6 5 2
♢ 8 7 5 3
♣ 7 2

South
♠ J 9 7 5 2
♡ None
♢ Q 10 4
♣ Q J 10 8 4

West	North	East	South
1 ♡	1 NT	3 ♡	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	All Pass	

Opening lead — ♡ J

"To get rid of a bad habit, don't toss it out the window; coax it down the stairs, one step at a time."

Many declarers have the bad habit of drawing trumps at a wrong time. At four spades, South ruffed the first heart, led a trump to dummy's queen and cashed the ace hopefully. No king appeared.

South next led a club, but West won, took his king of trumps and led another heart, forcing out South's last trump. South ran the clubs, but the defense won the last three tricks. Down two.

South's play in trumps left him open to losing control. South can finesse in trumps at Trick Two but should lead a diamond next. West wins and leads another heart, and South ruffs and forces out the ace of clubs. (Even if the defense could get a club ruff, South might be no worse off. If East had 6 3, A Q 6 5 2, 8 7 5 3 2, 2, the game would be unmakeable.)

South ruffs the next heart, takes the ace of trumps and runs his winners. He loses only to West's high trump.

This week: trump management.

DAILY QUESTION You hold: ♠ J 9 7 5 2 ♡ None ♢ Q 10 4 ♣ Q J 10 8 4. Both sides vulnerable. Your partner opens one spade, and the next player bids two hearts. What do you say?

ANSWER: Bid four spades to show a big spade fit and a shapely hand but little high-card strength. With a strong hand, you would cue-bid three hearts. If partner plays at four spades and doesn't make it, chances are the opponents could have made a high contract if left room to locate it.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, April 24, 2023:
You're relaxed, practical and entertaining. You put your own personal touch on things. This is a wonderful year for you, because you will receive acknowledgement and respect from your peers. Expect a promotion, an award or kudos of some kind. Bravo!

ARIES *(March 21-April 19)*
Today it's easy to kid yourself about something, plus there's a Moon Alert for a good part of this day. Think carefully, and think twice before you make decisions. Later in the day, a discussion with a female relative could be significant. Tonight: Get advice.

TAURUS *(April 20-May 20)*
This is a dicey day for financial decisions, shopping or anything to do with your money and wealth. Please note: Much of today is a Moon Alert, and it is taking place in your sign! Your judgment will be off. Know this. Tonight: Serious plans.

GEMINI *(May 21-June 20)*
Be careful today, because during the Moon Alert this morning, you'll be the Queen of Denial. Today is the classic day where people can kid themselves. The problem with this is you'll pay a price later. Tonight: Save money.

CANCER *(June 21-July 22)*
After the Moon Alert is over today, the Moon will move into your sign, which will heighten your emotions. With Mars in your sign, you feel confident and ready to act. But what if your facts are wrong? Do you have the whole story? Tread carefully. Be realistic. Tonight: Practical ideas

LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22)*
It's curious. You're a natural leader; however, you can be naive. Today is one of those times when you might be deceived or confused by a friend, especially by someone you're fond of. Everyone tries to hide the truth at times. Keep your eyes open, but be forgiving. Tonight: Solitude.

VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*
Things are not as they appear today, especially this morning. This is why people might not understand what you are doing, or they might not see you clearly. Make no important decisions during the Moon Alert. Especially, do not volunteer for anything. Tonight: Elder advice.

LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)*
Make no commitments with travel plans or anything to do with medicine, the law or higher education during the Moon Alert today. Wait until it's over. Afterward, you will probably be high-viz, which means people will notice you more than usual. Tonight: You're respected.

SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)*
Today you want to focus on financial issues, shared property, taxes, debt and inheritances. However, this is a very poor time to make decisions in those areas because there is a Moon Alert. Wait until it is over. This could be about an ex-partner back in your world. Tonight: Learn something.

SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)*
This morning the Moon is opposite your sign, which means you have to cooperate with others. However, it might not be in your best interests to do so because there is a Moon Alert. Very tricky. Protect your own best interests. Do nothing until the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Check your finances.

CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)*
This is a playful time; however, today an element of deception, especially self-deception, is at play. Possibly a co-worker will deceive you either by accident or on purpose. Postpone important decisions until after the Moon Alert is over. Forewarned is forearmed. Tonight: Serious discussions.

AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)*
Be vigilant with your kids this morning, because things are not as they appear. If you think something fishy is going on, it is. Postpone important decisions at work. After the Moon Alert is over today, enjoy schmoozing with others and expressing your creative talents. Tonight: Work.

PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20)*
This morning is a creative, imaginative time! If you're involved in the arts, you will have fantastic ideas. Write them down, but don't act on them until the Alert is over. Romance might be disappointing. Deception is possible. After the Moon Alert is over, it's all systems go. Tonight: Socialize.

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ZIPPY "Goat Cheese" by Bill Griffith

SUDDENLY, ZIPPY IS TRANSFORMED INTO A SATYR--PART PINHEAD & PART GOAT, READY FOR RIOTOUS HIJINX !!
YOW! I'M ROAMING TH' COUNTRYSIDE! HELLO, NYMPHS!
FILLED WITH TRANSGRESSIVE ENERGY, ZIPPY LOOKS FOR TARGETS TO MOCK & DERIDE--
IT'S MY JOB TO OVERINDULGE & PERFORM LEWD TRICKS!
HA HA!
BUT AS HIS FANTASY WEARS OFF, ZIPPY IS SLOWLY RETURNED TO HIS ORIGINAL CONDITION--
UH-OH. I JUST BECAME SATIRE! AM I READY TO RIDICULE RON DESANTIS?!

ADAM@HOME by Rob Harrell

WHAT IS THIS NOISE?
SOME OLD COUNTRY MUSIC, DEAR!
IT'LL GROW ON YOU.
GAH. NO. IT'S ALL TWANGY AND HERKY-JERKY.
MAKES ME FEEL LIKE CHEWING STRAW.
OH! THEN IT'S WORKING!

BIZARRO by Wayno & Piraro

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM by Mike Peters

ROSE IS ROSE by Pat Brady & Don Wimmer

DREAMSHIP TO MISSION CONTROL... I'LL BE REVISING THE FLIGHT PATH.
STAY ON COURSE, DREAMSHIP!
YOU'VE MADE YOUR POINT, MISSION CONTROL.
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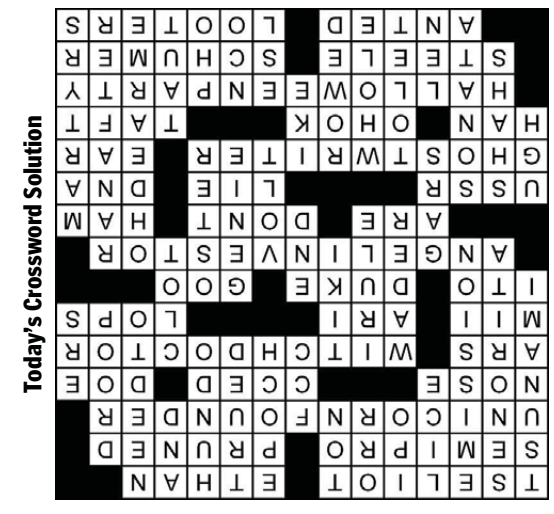
Today's Crossword Solution



Today's Sudoku Solution

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TV CRITIC'S CORNER

BY DON AUCOIN

MARY CYBULSKI/ROADSIDE ATTRACTIONS

Ray Romano and Laurie Metcalf in "Somewhere in Queens," directed by Romano.

The range of Ray Romano: from 'Everybody Loves Raymond' to making feature film directorial debut

In the nearly two decades since his hit sitcom "Everybody Loves Raymond" ended its lengthy run on CBS, Ray Romano has gone in some interesting directions.

He revealed himself to be an impressive character actor in films like "The Big Sick" and "The Irishman," and in such TV series as "Vinyl" and "Made for Love."

He also cocreated and costarred (with Andre Braugher and Scott Bakula) in "Men of a Certain Age." Even though that terrific series was canceled in 2011 after just two seasons, it was a crucial step in Romano's career.

Now, at 65, Romano is making his feature film directorial debut with "Somewhere in Queens." Cowritten by Romano and costarring Laurie Metcalf, it's about a blue-collar Italian-American family in the outer borough of the title. That sounds like a return to "Raymond" territory, but Romano's track record of versatility has made him pretty safe from the dead-end street of typecasting.

But in an interview published last week in Variety, Romano acknowledged that he knew he faced that very risk after "Raymond" wrapped up in 2005.

"I mean, I came from a sitcom and it was not easy for people to see me in other roles," Romano told interviewer Jenelle Riley. "I had to take baby steps. And I don't blame them because I've been guilty of the same thing. It's hard to get that out of your head."

"So I had to write my own show, 'Men of a Certain Age,' to show some range," he added. "And then I got lucky when Martin Scorsese cast me in 'Vinyl' because he didn't know who I was. He had never seen me anywhere. And that was a blessing because he didn't have to erase the character that people have in their heads."

ASK AMY

Trespassing roommates are caught on camera

Q. I am a college student living with college-aged roommates in a four-bedroom, one-bathroom house. We each have our own room and we share common living spaces.

A few months ago, I started noticing my locked bedroom door mysteriously unlocked and wide open, exposing my belongings to the rest of the house.

I promptly put up a security camera in my room. Sure enough, one day I got a notification of a person breaking into my room. I saved the video and anxiously pondered ideas about what I should do.

I decided to do nothing and see if it would happen again. Again, I received a notification that a person was in my room. This time all of my roommates were in my bedroom — scoping it out (it's a tiny room).

One of the roommates spotted the camera and immediately exited the room. On the tape I heard him state to the others that they should say that the reason for forced entry was to shut the open window.

I am furious and conflicted on what I should do. Should I file a police report? Confront them? Or should I, again, do nothing?

LOCKED IN

A. This is creepy. You have video (and audio) of all of your roommates snooping through your room. They are also now aware that you have a camera, which should work as a deterrent against future raids.

In the short term, I don't think it's a good idea to confront these people because you don't seem to have any allies in the house.

Before going to the police, I suggest that you contact your landlord, report what has happened, and ask for a deadbolt lock to be installed on your door. Also review your lease agreement, and start looking for other housing.

Yes, I do think you should go to the police, but it might be wisest to wait until you have secured other housing and moved your things out. This is trespassing and these people should be called to account.

Q. I have a new grandson who was born prematurely; he is currently in the NICU.

This has been an extremely stressful and emotional time for our family. This is our first grandchild.

Recently a good friend returned from her winter in Florida and called me. She asked how we were doing, and I gave her a very brief description of what was going on. Her responses were rushed and uncomfortable, and she couldn't wait to get off the phone.

She does not have grandchildren, so maybe that explains her response. I'm kind of puzzled, as she is usually a very kind friend.

Any thoughts or advice?

PUZZLED

A. Your friend might have seemed rushed and uncomfortable because she was upset by your news and wanted to make sure that she didn't keep you away from your family.

Yes, this response was unexpected, but this is a great example of the truism that we often simply don't know what other people are going through. When you're baffled by someone else's behavior, anchoring to this perspective can prompt you not to take things personally — until you are given just cause.

It is possible that your friend had a previous similar experience that your story triggered. Or she was taken by surprise, messed up, and disappointed you.

Q. I'm responding to the question from "Cleaning in Culver City," who was downsizing. This person had decided to send correspondence that lifelong friends had sent over the years back to the original writer. "Cleaning" was surprised that no friends had thanked him for this gesture.

You thought this was a "very thoughtful" thing to do.

As the recipient of a similar packet of letters and photographs that I'd originally sent to my aunt, I can offer my own reaction. I felt sadness. It seemed like my aunt was divorcing the family (similar packets were sent to other family members.)

Time has granted me a kinder reaction as I realized that her intent was to share. She wasn't rejecting us; she was just downsizing.

I think I would've liked to review a well-written sentimental note or two, but I wish she'd just disposed of the rest of the letters and photos if she didn't want to keep them.

DEJECTED, NOT REJECTED

A. Dozens of readers have responded — all saying that they would not appreciate receiving letters and photos they had sent to someone else.

Your description of how it felt to receive yours makes perfect sense.

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		7:00p.m.	7:30p.m.	8:00p.m.	8:30p.m.	9:00p.m.	9:30p.m.	10:00p.m.	10:30p.m.	11:00p.m.	11:30p.m.
2	WGBH PBS	Greater Boston	R. Steves' Europe	Antiques Roadshow (CC) TV-G		Antiques Roadshow (CC) TV-G		Independent Lens Chol Soo Lee is set free. HD TV-14-V NEW			Amanpour-Co
4	WBZ CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! TV-G NEW	Neighborhood	Bob-Abishola	NCIS (CC) HD TV-14		NCIS: Hawai'i HD TV-14-L,V		WBZ News 11p	Late-Colbert
5	WCVB ABC	NewsCenter 5	Chronicle (CC)	American Idol (CC) Live. HD TV-PG-L NEW				The Good Doctor HD TV-14-L		NewsCenter 5	Jimmy Kimmel
6	WLNE ABC	Hollywood	Inside Ed.	American Idol (CC) HD TV-PG-L NEW				The Good Doctor		News	J. Kimmel
7	WHDH	Inside Edition TV-PG	Extra TV-PG NEW	Family Feud NEW	Family Feud NEW	7 News at 9PM (CC) NEW		7 News at 10PM (CC) NEW		7 News at 11PM NEW	Inside Edition TV-PG
9	WMUR ABC	Chronicle	News	American Idol (CC) HD TV-PG-L NEW				The Good Doctor		News	J. Kimmel
10	NBC Boston	Boston News	Access Hollywood	The Voice (CC) Reba McEntire serves as mega mentor. HD TV-PG-D,L NEW				That's My Jam HD TV-14-L		Boston News	Tonight Show
10	WJAR NBC	NBC 10 News	Extra TV-PG NEW	The Voice (CC) Reba McEntire serves as mega mentor. HD TV-PG-D,L NEW				That's My Jam HD TV-14-L		News	Tonight Show
11	WENH PBS	Travelscope	R. Steves' Europe	Antiques Roadshow (CC) TV-G		Antiques Roadshow (CC) TV-G		Independent Lens Chol Soo Lee is set free. HD TV-14-V NEW			Amanpour-Co
12	WPRI CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! TV-G NEW	Neighborhood	Bob-Abishola	NCIS (CC) HD TV-14		NCIS: Hawai'i HD TV-14-L,V		12 News at 11 NEW	Late-Colbert
25	WFXT FOX	Ent. Tonight	TMZ (CC) TV-PG NEW	9-1-1 (CC) HD TV-14-D,L,S,V		(9:01) Fantasy Island HD TV-14-L,S		Boston 25 News at 10PM HD NEW		Boston News	National News
27	WUNI	La rosa de Guadalupe HD TV-14		Perdona nuestros pecados HD NEW		El amor invencible HD NEW		Cabo HD NEW		Noticias Univisión	Noticiero Univision:
36	WSBE PBS	Art Inc	Weekend-Yank	Nature (CC) TV-PG-S		PBS NewsHour (CC) HD NEW		Puppy School TV-G		PBS NewsHour (CC) HD	
38	WSBK	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	WBZ News 8p (CC) HD NEW		Daytime Jeopardy	Big Bang Theory	CBS News Boston Now on TV38 (CC) NEW		Seinfeld TV-PG-D	Seinfeld TV-PG
44	WGBX PBS	Test Kitchen	Antiques Roadshow	Midsomer Murders TV-PG		Agatha Christie's Marple TV-PG			Antiques Roadshow	PBS NewsHour (CC) HD NEW	
50	WWJE	Finally Caught (CC)		Dateline (CC) TV-14		Dateline TV-PG-V		Dateline (CC) TV-14		The Last 24 TV-14	
56	WLVI CW	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	All American (CC) HD TV-PG-L		The Flash (CC) HD TV-PG-D,V		7 News at 10PM on CW56 (CC) NEW		Modern Family	Modern Family
64	WNAC FOX	Family Feud NEW	Family Feud NEW	9-1-1 (CC) HD TV-14-D,L,S,V		(9:01) Fantasy Island HD TV-14-L,S		12 News on Fox Providence at 10pm NEW		Seinfeld TV-PG-D	Seinfeld TV-PG
68	WBPX ION	FBI A search for a serial bomber. TV-14-L,V		FBI (CC) TV-14-L,V		FBI (CC) TV-PG-L,V		FBI (CC) TV-14-D,L,V		FBI An American diplomat is killed. TV-14	
	PREMIUM CABLE										
Cinemax		(5:28) Armageddon Director's Cut		★★ Hot Tub Time Machine (2010) (CC) R		(9:40) ★★★ Team America: World Police (2004) (CC) R					Bullet to the Head
Flix		(6:10) ★★★ Crash (2004) R		(8:05) ★★ Beautiful Girls (1996) (CC) Old friends reunite for their high-school reunion. R				★★★ Adventureland (2009) (CC) R			
HBO		(6:20) Succession	(7:25) ★★★ Lucy (2014) (CC) R			Perry Mason (CC) TV-MA NEW		Rain Dogs TV-MA NEW	Perry Mason (CC) TV-MA		(11:20) Rain Dogs
HBO 2		(6:00) ★★ Breathe (2017)		Succession (CC) TV-MA NEW		(9:05) ★ Something Borrowed (2011) (CC) PG-13			★ Blended (2014) (CC) PG-13		
Showtime		(6:25) ★★★ Bodies Bodies Bodies (2022)		Yellowjackets (CC) TV-MA		Waco: The Aftermath	(9:45) ★★ 3 Days to Kill (2014) A dying agent must accomplish one final mission.				Waco: The Aftermath
Showtime 2		(6:35) ★★ What If (2013) (CC) PG-13			(8:20) ★★★ Mean Girls (2004) (CC) PG-13			Yellowjackets (CC) TV-MA		Waco: The Aftermath	Catching Lightning
Starz!		(7:04) ★★ Dog Days (2018) (CC) PG				★★★ Hail, Caesar! (2016) (CC) PG-13				(10:49) ★ Sex Tape (2014) R	
TMC		(6:00) Mission: Impossible (1996)		★★★ Mission: Impossible 2 (2000) (CC) Premiere. PG-13				(10:05) ★★★ Mission: Impossible III (2006) (CC) Premiere. PG-13			
	SPORTS										
CBSSN		(6:30) PGA Tour Golf Zurich Classic of New Orleans, Final Round. TV-G							PBR Bull Riding UTB: Billings. From Billings, Mont.		
ESPN		NHL Hockey (CC) New Jersey Devils at New York Rangers. Live. NEW					NHL Hockey (CC) Vegas Golden Knights at Winnipeg Jets. Live. NEW				
ESPN2		SportsCenter Special (CC)		On the Clock	On the Clock NEW	NFL Matchup	Polo (CC) U.S. Open Polo Championship Final. NEW			SportsCenter (CC) Live. NEW	
Fox Sports 1		NASCAR Race Hub (CC) TV-14		NASCAR Presents (CC) TV-PG		MLB Pregame	MLB Baseball (CC) Oakland Athletics at Los Angeles Angels. From Angel Stadium of Anaheim in Anaheim, Calif. NEW				
Golf		PGA	PGA	U.S. Open Epics TV-G		PGA Tour Golf (CC) Zurich Classic of New Orleans, Final Round.					
NBA		kobe	NBA TV Pregame Show								
NBC Sports Boston		Early Edition (CC)		Early Edition (CC)		Best of Zolak and Bertrand (CC)		Boston Sports Tonight with Felger and Holley		Boston Sports Tonight with Felger and Holley	
NESN		(6:30) MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at Baltimore Orioles.				Extra		Red Sox	MLB Baseball: Red Sox at Orioles		
	FAMILY										
Cartoon		Teen Titan	Teen	King/Hill	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	Crackers	American	American
Disney		Ladybug & Cat	Marvel's Mo	Saturdays (CC)	★★★ A Bug's Life (1998) (CC) G			Big City Greens	Hamster & Gretel	Marvel's Mo	Ladybug & Cat
Encore Family		(6:51) Four Kids and It (2020) PG		(8:42) ★★★ The Namesake					(10:45) ★ Home Alone 3 PG		
Nickelodeon		PAW	Rubble	Patrick	Big Nate	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
Nick Jr.		Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Paddingtn	Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble

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BASIC CABLE										
A&E	The First 48 (CC) TV-14-V		The First 48 (CC) TV-14		The First 48 (CC) TV-PG		(10:01) The First 48 (CC) TV-14-V		(11:04) The First 48 (CC) TV-14-L,V	
AMC	(5:45) Police Academy		★★ Ace Ventura: Pet Detective				★★ Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls			
Animal Planet	Homestead Rescue TV-14		Homestead Rescue TV-14		Homestead Rescue TV-14		Homestead Rescue TV-14		Homestead Rescue TV-PG	
BBC America	Law & Order TV-14-L		Law & Order TV-14		Law & Order TV-14-L		Law & Order TV-14-L		Law & Order TV-14-L	
BET	(5:00) The Hitman's Wife's Bodyguard		★★ Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (2009) (CC) Premiere. Sam Witwicky holds the key to defeating an ancient Decepticon.						Martin TV-PG	Martin TV-PG
Bravo	Below Deck Sailing Yacht (CC) TV-14 NEW		Below Deck Sailing Yacht (CC) TV-14		Summer House (CC) TV-14-D,L		Watch What	(10:31) Below Deck Sailing Yacht (CC) TV-14		
CMT	Last Man	Last Man	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Reba	Reba
CNN	Erin Burnett OutFront		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Primetime NEW		CNN Tonight (CC) NEW		CNN Tonight (CC) NEW	
Comedy Central	The Office TV-14-L	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14	The Daily Show	South Park (CC)
CSPAN	(5:00) Public Affairs Events (CC)									
CSPAN2	(4:00) Public Affairs Events									
Dest. America	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island
Discovery	Street Outlaws		Street Outlaws: Fastest in America (CC) TV-14						(11:02) MythBusters	
Discovery Life	Sex Sent Me		Addiction	Addiction	Addiction	Addiction	Hoarding: Buried Alive		Hoarding: Buried Alive	
E!	(6:00) Fighting With My Family		★★★ Fighting With My Family (2019) (CC)						E! News	Mod Fam
Encore	Home NR	(7:27) License to Drive			★★★ Dirty Dancing (CC)			(10:44) Dirty Dancing (CC)		
Food	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Spring Baking Championship (CC) TV-G		Chopped (CC) TV-G		Chopped (CC) TV-G		Chopped (CC) TV-G	
Fox News	Jesse Watters		Tucker Carlson		Hannity (CC) Live. NEW		The Ingraham Angle		Gutfeld! (CC) NEW	
Freeform	(5:45) ★★★ Pretty Woman (1990)		(8:25) ★ Dirty Dancing (2017) (CC) TV-PG-D,L,S						The 700 Club (CC)	
FUSE	Buffy, Vampire Slayer		Buffy, Vampire Slayer		Buffy, Vampire Slayer		Go Back to China (2019) (CC)			
FX	(5:00) Spider-Man 3		★★★ The Amazing Spider-Man (2012) (CC)						Amazing Spdr	
FXM	Art of Racing		(7:55) ★★ A Dog's Way Home (2019)				(9:50) A Dog's Way Home (2019)		FXM Pres.	
Hallmark	Raise a Glass to Love		A Picture of Her (2023) (CC) TV-G				Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls
Hallmark M.&M.	Love's Complicated (2016) (CC) TV-G				Always Amore (2022) (CC) TV-G				Murder, She Wrote	
HGTV	Love It or List It (CC) TV-PG		Love It or List It (CC) TV-PG		Love It or List It (CC) TV-PG		(10:01) Luxe for Less (CC)		House Hunters	House Hunters
History	History's Greatest Mysteries (CC) TV-PG		History's Greatest Mysteries (CC) TV-PG		History's Greatest Mysteries (CC) TV-PG		(10:03) History's Greatest Mysteries (CC) An investigation into shocking claims. TV-PG			
HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14	
HSN	Antthony Design		Antthony Design		Adam's Open House		Adam's Open House		Adam's Open House	
ID	The Playboy Murders (CC) TV-14		Mean Girl Murders (CC) TV-14		Mean Girl Murders (CC) TV-14		Mean Girl Murders (CC)		People Magazine Investigates (CC) TV-14	
IFC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
Lifetime	Castle (CC) TV-PG-V		Castle TV-PG-D,L,V		Castle TV-PG-D,S,V		(10:03) Castle (CC)		(11:03) Castle (CC)	
LMN	Left for Dead		The Gabby Petito Story (2022) (CC) TV-14				Girl in the Shed: Kidnapping of Abby			
MAGN	Maine Cabin Masters		Maine Cabin Masters		Maine Cabin Masters		Maine Cabin Masters		Maine Cabin Masters	
MSNBC	The ReidOut (CC) NEW		All In With		Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word With		11th Hour	
MTV	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous
National Geographic	Hitler: The Lost Tapes of the Third Reich		Hitler: The Lost Tapes of the Third Reich		Hitler: The Lost Tapes of the Third Reich		Hitler: The Lost Tapes of the Third Reich		Facing Escobar (CC) TV-14	
NatGeoWild	Critter Fixers		Critter Fixers		Critter Fixers		Critter Fixers		Critter Fixers	
NECN	necn NOW NEW		Dateline (CC) TV-PG		Dateline (CC) TV-PG		LX Current-NECN		1st Look	Rescue
NewsNation	On Balance		Cuomo (CC) NEW		Dan Abrams Live NEW		Banfield (CC) NEW		Cuomo (CC)	
Ovation	Midsomer Murders (CC) TV-PG					Midsomer Murders (CC) A local boxer returns. TV-PG				
OWN	Dr. Phil (CC) TV-PG-L		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN TV-14		20/20 on OWN TV-14		20/20 on OWN TV-14	
Oxygen	Snapped (CC) TV-PG		Blood & Money TV-14		Blood & Money TV-14		Violent Minds: Killers on Tape		Murders	
Paramount	Two Men	Two Men	★ Gone in 60 Seconds (2000) (CC)					★★★ The Italian Job (2003) (CC)		
QVC	QVC's IT List: Fashion		Fashion's Night In (CC) TV-G						Dooney & Bourke NEW	
Science	Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown		Expedition Unknown	
Sundance	NCIS (CC) TV-14-L,V		NCIS (CC) TV-14-L,V		Law & Order (CC) TV-PG		NCIS (CC) TV-14-L,V		NCIS (CC) TV-14	
SyFy	(4:03) 2012	(7:35) ★★ The Wolverine (2013) (CC)						(10:28) ★★★ Independence Day		
TBS	NHL Preg.	NHL Hockey: Maple Leafs at Lightning					NHL Hockey: Avalanche at Kraken			
TCM	(6:00) The Omega Man	★★★ The Color Purple (1985)							Empire of the Sun	
TLC	90 Day Fiancé TV-PG	90 Day Fiancé			You, Me & My Ex		90 Day Fiancé TV-PG		Seeking-Husband	
TNT	Pregame	NBA Basketball (CC) Brooklyn Nets at Philadelphia 76ers.					NBA Basketball: Grizzlies at Lakers			
Travel	Mysteries- Unk.		Mysteries of the Unknown (CC) TV-PG				Mysteries of the Unknown (CC) TV-PG			
TruTV	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	★★ Men in Black II (2002)		MIB 3	
TV Land	Andy G.	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
TV One	Cosby	Cosby	Fatal Attraction (CC)		Fatal Attraction NEW		ATL Homicide TV-14		Celebrity Crime Files	
USA	Chicago Fire TV-14-V		WWE Monday Night RAW (CC) Live. TV-PG-V NEW						Race to Survive: Alaska TV-14-L	
VH-1	Basketball Wives		Basketball Wives		Celeb True Crime		All the Queen's Men		All the Queen's Men	
WE	Bones TV-14-D,L,V		Bones TV-14-D,L,V		Bones TV-14-D,L,V		Bones TV-14-D,L,V		Bones TV-14-D,L,V	

Content Ratings: TV-Y Appropriate for all children; **TV-Y7** For children age 7 and older; **TV-G** General audience; **TV-PG** Parental guidance suggested; **TV-14** May be unsuitable for children under 14; **TV-MA** Mature audience only **Additional symbols: D** Suggestive dialogue; **FV** Fantasy violence; **L** Strong language; **S** Sexual activity; **V** Violence; **HD** High-Definition; **(CC)** Close-Captioned